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EMS EMERGENCY NUMBER (AMBULANCE)	**911***
Fire House business number (not to report fire)	772-9756
Fire Chief	772-8215
POLICE DEPARTMENT (EMERGENCY NUMBER)	**911***
Police Department (business number)	778-9691
Animal Control	772-6047
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	772-4741
Selectmen's Office/Town Administrator	772-7391
Planner/Planning Board	772-7391
Highway Department	772-5550
Building Inspector/C.E.O.	772-7391
Wiggin Memorial Library	772-4346
Historical Society	778-0434
Recreation Director	772-7450
Stratham Memorial School	772-5413
Exeter Region Coop. School District (main switchboard)	778-7772
Superintendent, SAU #16	775-8653

COMMUNITY INFORMATION: **www.WigginML.org**

TOWN OFFICE HOURS: (closed holidays)

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Mondays 8:30 am to 7:00 pm; Tuesday – Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm; Fridays 8:00 am to 12:30 pm

All Other Offices: Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOURS:

Tuesdays 9 am-11:30 am; Thursdays 2 pm – 4 pm; 1st Sunday of month 2 pm – 4 pm

STRATHAM TRANSFER STATION HOURS:

Saturdays 9 am – 4 pm (Winter (December thru March) 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month only)

MEETINGS/SCHEDULES:

Selectmen's Meetings: Mondays 7:30 pm (except legal holidays)

Volunteer Fire Department: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 8 pm Business Meeting
2nd (firefighter) & 4th (EMS) Tuesdays Training

Planning Board: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of month - 7:00 pm

Board of Adjustment: Tuesdays, 7:30 pm, Upon Request

Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - noon

Fair Committee: Last Wednesday of the Month 7:30 pm at Fire House

Trash & Recycling Collection: Thursday & Friday curbside by 7:00 am

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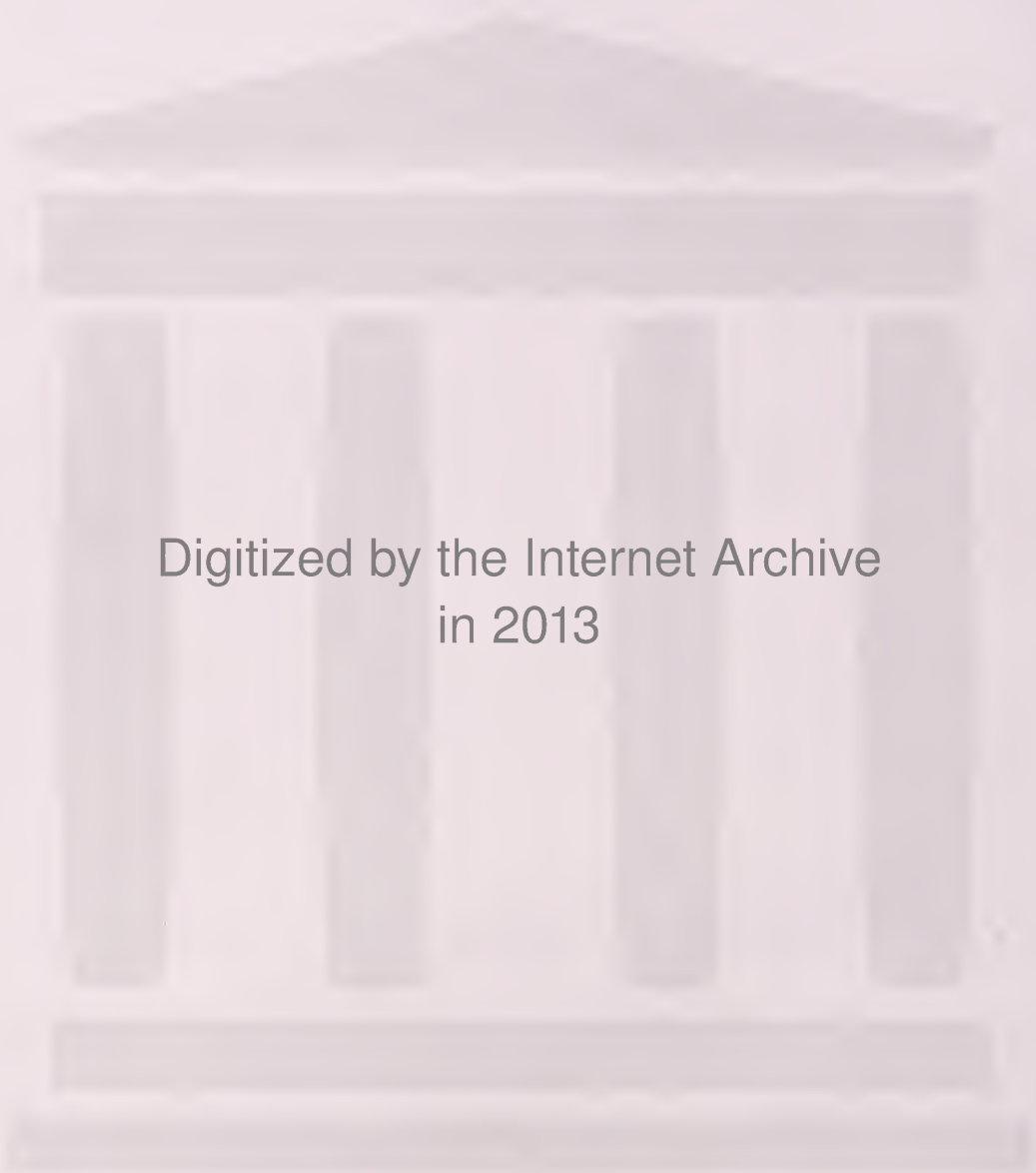
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DEDICATED TO THE PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE AD HOC CONSERVATION BOND SUBCOMMITTEE

All towns have individuals who volunteer their services to better their community, whose level of service warrant recognition in their annual town report. Sometimes these individuals find themselves on committees whose collective efforts far exceed what they as individuals could have achieved. Such has been the case for the members of the Ad Hoc Conservation Bond Subcommittee of the Conservation Commission.

From the historic vote at the March 2002 Town Meeting when a $5 million bond was authorized for conservation purposes, this Subcommittee has been actively pursuing the goal of preserving our natural resources and community character. Their efforts have included evaluating the remaining natural resources, creating evaluation criteria, identifying potential property owners, learning the ins and outs of property law, practicing the art of negotiating, and weighing the best interests of the Town at every juncture. The Subcommittee's twice per month meetings only represent a part of their individual efforts as they contact landowners, shepherd them through the process, arrange for appraisals and surveys, and consult with Town Counsel. The Subcommittee would be first to acknowledge the advice, consent, and support provided by the Conservation Commission, Planning Board, and Board of Selectmen, but without the Subcommittee's efforts, the Town would be no closer to the objectives espoused at the 2002 Town Meeting.

With nearly 200 acres protected since they started their efforts and a significant 94 acre property being proposed for the early part of 2007, the Board of Selectmen feel the Town of Stratham owes the Subcommittee a debt of gratitude for their hard work, and therefore dedicate the 2006 Town Report to the past and present members of the Subcommittee whose names appear on the next page.

AD HOC CONSERVATION BOND SUBCOMMITTEE

PAST MEMBERS	PRESENT MEMBERS
John Hutton, III	Roger Stephenson
Robert Goodrich	Nathan Merrill
Mark Sykas	Caroline Robinson
Ray Wenninger	Laura Lee
Wesley Barton	Edie Barker
Denis Dillon	Tammy Hathaway
Brad Jones	Dan McAuliffe

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2006 TOWN OFFICERS

ELECTED POSITIONS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Kirk Scamman, Chair	term expires 2007
Martin Wool	term expires 2008
David Short	term expires 2009

MODERATOR

David Emanuel	term expires 2008
Jerry Howard (appointed assistant)	term expires 2008

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Shirley S. Daley	term expires 2008
Joyce Charbonneau, Deputy (appointed)	
Norma Corrow, Secretary (appointed)	

TREASURER

Kenneth F. Lanzillo	term expires 2008

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Florence Wiggin	term expires 2008
Carol Gulla	term expires 2010
Susan Hunter	term expires 2012

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Diane Morgera, Chair	term expires 2009
Joyce Rowe	term expires 2007
Bruce Scamman	term expires 2008

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Joyce Charbonneau, Chair	term expires 2007
Diane Andersen	term expires 2007
David Sallet	term expires 2008
Victor Collinino	term expires 2009
Carol Gulla	term expires 2009
Lesley Kimball, Director (appointed)	

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Kenneth F. Lanzillo, Chair	term expires 2009
Brenda Mason	term expires 2007
Robert Cushman	term expires 2008

APPOINTED POSITIONS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Paul R. Deschaine
Valerie Kemp, Bookkeeper
Joseph Marchio, Custodian/Maintenance

CODE ENFORCEMENT/BUILDING INSPECTOR

Terry Barnes — Linda Beaudoin, Secretary

TOWN ASSESSOR

Andrea S. Lewy — Anne Buchanan, Secretary

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Fred A. Hutton Jr., Highway Agent — Russell Stevens
Alan Williams, Foreman — Robert Cook

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Robert O. Law — Lt. Bryan Crosby
Assistant Chief David Emanuel — Lt. John Dardani
Deputy Chief Fred Hutton, Jr. — Lt. Alan Choiniere
Captain James Devonshire — Lt. Matt Larrabee
Captain Robert Cook — EMS - Captain Derrick Hall
EMS.- Lt. Katherine Flagg

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

David Emanuel, Director
Katherine Flagg, Deputy Director
Timothy Copeland, Deputy Director

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Michael Daley, Sr.
Lt. Richard Wood
Sgt. David Pierce
Sgt. Richard Gendron, Detective
Off. George Malgeri
Off. Charles Law
Off. James Call
Off. John Emerson
Off. Shawn Walmsley
Off. Shanon Goff
Jaye Aither, Secretary
William Hart, Prosecutor

On-Call Officers:
Donald Andolina
Peter Bakie
Michael Gobbi
Tanya Lampi
David Gilbert
W. Michael Early
Kevin O'Neil

HEALTH OFFICER

Doreen Gaulin	Dr. Vincent Tan, Deputy

PLANNING BOARD

Janet Johnson, Chair	term expires 2007
Bruno Federico, Vice Chair	term expires 2008
Mary Jane Werner	term expires 2007
Gordon Barker	term expires 2008
Martin Wool, Selectmen's Rep.	
Jeffrey Hyland, Alternate	term expires 2009
Joseph Russell, Alternate	term expires 2007
Charles Grassie, Town Planner	

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Neil Rowe, Chair	term expires 2007
John Dold, Secretary	term expires 2009
Brad Owens	term expires 2008
Michael Smith	term expires 2009
Bruce Barker	term expires 2007
Arol Charbonneau, Alternate	term expires 2009
Timothy Copeland, Alternate	term expires 2008

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Patricia Elwell, Chair	term expires 2008
Robert Keating, Vice Chair	term expires 2008
Jamie Marsh, Secretary	term expires 2007
Gordon Barker	term expires 2009
Bradley Jones	term expires 2007
Dan McAuliffe	term expires 2008
Martin Wool, Selectmen's Rep.	
Gerald Batchelder, Alternate	term expires 2007
Peter Allen, Alternate	term expires 2007
William McCarthy, Alternate	term expires 2009

RECREATION COMMISSION

Caren Gallagher, Chair	term expires 2008
Alison Pike, Vice Chair	term expires 2007
Kevin Peck, Treasurer	term expires 2008
William Cummings	term expires 2007
Eileen Bischoff	term expires 2007
Catherine Henry	term expires 2009
Tara Barker, Recreation Director	

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(appointed by Moderator to 1 year term expiring in 2007)

David Canada	Robert O'Sullivan, School Board's Rep.
Garrett Dolan	Joyce Rowe
Nathan Merrill	Travis Thompson

HERITAGE COMMISSION

Nancy Hansen, Chair	term expires 2008
Peter Wiggin	term expires 2009
Rebecca Mitchell	term expires 2007
Kirk Scamman, Selectmen's Rep.	
Mary Jane Werner, Planning Board Rep.	
Beverly Connolly, Alternate	term expires 2009
Sara L. Kellner, Alternate	term expires 2008

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Lissa Ham, Co-Chair	term expires 2008
David Sallet, Co-Chair	term expires 2009
George Miller	term expires 2007
Robert B. Mitchell	term expires 2009
John Boisvert	term expires 2007
Craig Wark, Alternate	term expires 2009

BUILDING COMMITTEE FOR FIRE STATION

(appointed to a 1 year term which expires in 2007)

Lucy Cushman, Chair	R. Stan Walker
David Emanuel	Martin Wool, Selectmen's Rep.
Lissa Ham	

AD HOC CONSERVATION BOND SUBCOMMITTEE TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

(appointed to a 1 year term which expires in 2007)

Roger Stephenson, Chair	Caroline Robinson
Laura Lee, Vice Chair	Nathan Merrill
Edie Barker, Secretary	Tammy Hathaway
Dan McAuliffe, Conservation Commission Rep.	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

This past year was an active and productive time for the Town of Stratham. The employees and volunteer boards were kept busy completing and developing many different functions and projects. As always, these groups did a great job, investing much time and effort into their labors.

The big capital project for the year has been the construction of the new Police Department building. Construction was started this past summer and the building will be ready for occupancy in March of 2007. The Police Department will finally have a facility that will be up to modern standards and should be a great tool to help them continue to give Stratham the high level of professionalism that the department members have always provided to the Town.

Final plans for the new Stratham Fire Department and Office of Emergency Management building have been in the works for the past year and are nearing completion. Through much hard work by many people, we should have an attractive and functional building to present to the voters at Town Meeting for their final approval. As always, many thanks go out to all the Fire and Rescue Department volunteers who devote countless hours to protecting the well-being of the residents and property of the Town.

Town Meeting was held on March 11, 2006 this past year. Several articles of note were passed at this meeting. Article 6 was to perform much needed repair and maintenance work to the Gifford Barn and House. This work was done under the oversight of the Park Ranger and successfully completed during the past year. The Town's investment in these properties has been greatly protected and enhanced by the work that was done.

The Town also went to semi-annual tax billing this past year. This new system has proven to be very successful and has saved the taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars in interest payments on money that we used to have to borrow in anticipation of taxes. The total assessed value of the Town is now over one billion dollars.

A fire protection system is also being constructed in the commercial zone of the Town. This is a joint effort between the private property owners and the Town and should greatly increase fire safety throughout the commercial zone as well as surrounding areas. The Town Planner has spearheaded this effort with the Public Works Commission and we thank them for all their hard work.

The Board would like to thank the Conservation Commission and Ad Hoc Conservation Bond Subcommittee for all their efforts in identifying parcels of land to protect and successfully negotiating with the landowners. They continue to bring us quality parcels of land for protection and are starting to make a significant impact on preserving the rural character of the Town.

The Highway Department has also been very busy the past year. Butterfield Lane was completely rebuilt over the summer, several other roads were also resurfaced, and many drainage improvements were made. As a significant number of Town roads age, plain resurfacing is no longer sufficient in some cases. These roads need to have the current asphalt ground up to create a new road base and then completely repaved. Drainage improvements are also incorporated

while the road base is being rebuilt. This effort has led us to incorporate a new line in the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for road reconstruction so the Town can start setting aside monies for these more major road projects. The benefits from these efforts were evidenced by the lack of major road damage and closures during the May floods this past year. While many of the surrounding towns were experiencing major flood damage, Stratham was impacted very little by these events. In fact, Stratham assisted other surrounding towns during these unprecedented rains. The Highway Department also put lots of effort into the Stevens Park fields. The soccer and lacrosse fields look great and have become an asset to Stratham. Further work is planned for this coming year to include a proposed multi-purpose court for tennis and basketball.

The Board of Selectmen would also like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who take part in our local government and town-wide programs. The Town would not be able to provide the quality services offered to our citizens without our large number of volunteers. We also wish to thank all the Town employees for the high level of quality services from which we all benefit.

The public is always welcome to attend and participate in the weekly Selectmen's Meetings held Monday nights at 7:30 in the Municipal Center. As always, we look forward to another productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk Scamman
Martin Wool
David Short

Board of Selectmen

TOWN OF STRATHAM
TOWN MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 14, 2006

The polls were opened from 8 am – 8 pm on March 14, 2006. The Ballot Clerks and Election officials were sworn in at 7:55 am. David Emanuel, Town Moderator, opened the polls at 8 am. There were 47 absentee Town votes cast and 46 absentee Co-op School Ballots cast. One voter did not cast a Co-op School absentee ballot. The total votes cast for the day was 1086 ballots.

The results were as follows:

Article #1: Election of Officers

For Selectman: Bruno Federico 513*, David Short 511 votes.
For Moderator: David Emanuel 906*.
For Supervisor of the Checklist: Susan Hunter 885*.
For Cemetery Trustee: Kenneth F. Lanzillo 920.
For Trustee of the Trust Funds: Diane Morgera 549*, Craig Wark 253,
For Library Trustee (2): Victor M Collinino 581*, Carol Gulla 729*.
For Stratham School Board (2): Kathryn Adler 650*, John Hazekamp 659*.
For Stratham School District Clerk: Amy Conklin Waters 834*.

Article #2: Amend Section 7.2.2 Sign Permits and 7/2/7 Computation of area to require site review approval for all new signage and to require a Conditional Use Permit for any waivers to the sign regulations dealing with computation area. Yes 886, No 129. Article Passed.

Article #3: Amend Section 2.1 Definitions to provide for new housing types as requested by the Building Inspector. Amend Section 2.1 to provide for the inclusion of definitions for Triplex and Quadraplex housing units and to renumber Section 2.1 to reflect these additions. Yes 750, No 254. Article Passed.

Article #4: Add a new section to read as follows: 5.10 Preliminary Site Plan Review: The Planning Board is authorized to require preliminary site plan review. The Site Plan Review regulations regarding site plan design review and the requirements of such review are to be prepared and adopted by the Planning Board. Yes 894, No 116. Article Passed.

Article #5: Upon written petition of not less than 2 percent of the legal voters of Stratham, "Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to five (5) members? Yes 544, No 495. Article Passed.

Exeter Region Cooperative School District – Stratham portion of the election:

Exeter: Townley Chisholm 512, Roy Morrisette 443.
Newfields: Raymond Truman 741.
Stratham: Patricia Lovejoy 509, Luke Pickett 502.
Moderator: Charles Tucker 883.
Article #1, Budget: Yes 626, No 263.
Article #2, Bargaining Agreement-Education Association: Yes 635, No 344.
Article #3, Collective Bargaining Agreement-Paraprofessional Association: Yes 651, No 334.
Article #4, Authorize Optional Special Meeting: Yes 716, No 232.
Article #5, Stadium: Yes 679, No 305.
Article #6, 56 Linden Street: Yes 696, No 269.
Article #7, Squamscott Community Commons, 56 Linden Street: Yes 733, No 268.
Article #8, Kensington Land: Yes 431, No 514.

The meeting is adjourned until Friday March 17, 2006 at 7:30 pm to vote on the rest of the warrant articles.

Moderator David Emanuel opened the meeting at 7:32 pm. Boy Scout Troop 185 presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The dedication in the Town Report was to Stephen J.C. Woods. David Emanuel read the dedication and Stephen's widow, Debra Woods, thanked the Town and her friends and neighbors for their support during the family's hard times.

David Emanuel read the results of the Ballot voting on Tuesday, March 14, 2006. He announced the Town Clerk had received written notice for a recount for the office of Selectmen and a recount for Article #5 changing the number of members on the Board of Selectmen. The date will be determined soon.

Nancy Hunter asked why the results were not on the website and Joyce Charbonneau, a Library trustee, explained that Leslie Kimball, the Librarian, updates the web site and has been very sick, but the results were on the site now. David Emanuel explained that the meeting would be run by parliamentary procedures and that articles would not be reconsidered at the end of the meeting, but if asked another date would be chosen so as to let all the townspeople know.

Article #6: $140,000 Bond for the repairs to the Town-owned property at 17 Jackrabbit Lane known as the Gifford Land. A Ballot vote with a two thirds (2/3) majority in favor is required for passage and the polls must be opened for a minimum of one hour. Selectman Kirk Scamman made the motion to accept the article and Selectman Martin Wool seconded the article. Selectman Scamman explained the reasons for the request; the Board hopes to borrow the money and repay the note or bond with the rent from the property. Currently the Town receives $1100 per month. The roof on the barn leaks and it also needs some work on the beams and foundation; the house garage needs some repair also.

Bob Goodrich from Portsmouth Avenue asked several questions. Do we have an estimate of the cost of repairs and if so, are the estimates from the same people who will do the work? Kirk Scamman explained they do have some estimates and they would probable do the work. Bob

Goodrich also asked how long it had leaked and why there was no tarp over the roof at this time, and he wanted to know if the house leaked, if there were gutters on the house, and if there was water in the basement. Kirk explained it had leaked for some time but he had no answer as to why there was no tarp. The house does not leak but the garage does. There is no water in the basement, but it is a dirt floor so it is moist. The house does have gutters. Bob made a statement that it is unfortunate the barn has gone so long and questioned if this was a prudent way to handle Town-owned property. Roger Stephenson asked how the Town rents the property. Kirk explained that traditionally the property was where the caretaker of the Park lived, but when the Town hired a new caretaker, he had his own house, and the Gifford property has been rented by advertising. Roger asked if the house were not rented if the bond would go into the tax base. Kirk replied yes. Bob Mitchell from Portsmouth Avenue explained that 2 years ago, a timber framer was part of the Stratham Fair and at that time, he looked at the barn and said it would be worth fixing. During the Fair, he made some beams for the barn and they are stored on the property. At that time, some stabilization was done to the barn. He also stated 2 restoration carpenters have looked at the barn, and said it is a real asset to the Town and the work should be done. There being no other discussion, the vote on the bond started at 7:57 pm. The meeting temporarily adjourned so the audience could vote. At 8:15 pm David Emanuel started the meeting again. The vote was closed at 9:16 pm. 140 votes were cast: 112 Yes and 28 No. 94 votes being needed for a 2/3 vote, the article was declared passed.

Article #7: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 33.3-a, to authorize the Town to expend Three Million Eight Hundred Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Dollars and no cents ($3,811,220.00), which represents the unexpended proceeds, as of December 31, 2005, of the $5,000,000.00 in bonds authorized by the Town under Article #6 of the 2003 annual meeting to finance the construction and equipping of a public safety complex and the acquisition of land therefore, for the following purposes: (i) the construction and equipping of a new police station, or portions there of, on land previously acquired with proceeds of the bonds; (ii) the construction and equipping of fire station facilities, or portions thereof, on land previously acquired with the proceeds of the bonds located next to the existing fire station; and (iii) related costs and expenses. A Ballot vote with a two thirds (2/3) majority in favor is required for the passage. Polls must be open for a minimum of one (1) hour.

David Emanuel stepped down as moderator for this article as he is on the safety committee. Jerry Howard, Assistant Moderator, read the article. Martin Wool made the motion to accept the article and David Short seconded the article. Marty explained the article and announced the members of the committee to be Lucy Cushman, Chair, Stanley Walker, David Emanuel, Michael Daley, Richard Wood, Lisa Ham, Frank Catapano, and Martin Wool as the Selectman's representative. Marty gave a brief overview as to what has happened so far. The Town has purchased the land next to the current fire station, and the Planning Board rejected the original building, as it was too large for the property. The Town tried to purchase more land but the price was out of the range to be able to purchase land and build a building. The original bond stated a safety complex, so the Town is asking to separate the building. They feel it has taken a long time to get to this point and it may cost a little more in the long run, as it has taken a while and inflation has taken it toll on us. They can build a police station on land the Town owns on Portsmouth Avenue, and the fire station on the current location plus the land already purchased next door. He explained the police have a model of the building they would like to build, and the fire department is still in the process of designing their building and has some general idea of

what they would like to build. Marty explained tonight the Board is looking for permission to separate the buildings, not the cost or style. David Short explained that several points have raised the cost of the building. To purchase the church property it would be another $700,000 to $900,000 more than they have presently spent for land. The article as written is a little confusing, but it had to be written this way because the State said this is the proper wording for this article, but there is no additional money being asked for at this time. The fire department will need more money than is available, but they are not ready at this point to say just how much. The Police Department has estimated costs and a design of the building and it can be built for the money the town has allocated for their building without going over budget. This will address the conditions the police are working under at this time, and the building will be something the Town can be proud of and a positive step forward. Hopefully, next year they will ask for a reasonable amount of money to finish the fire station portion of the upgrades and then move on to the next project.

George Miller stated that it seems to him we want to split this bond issue, and on one part of it, we know what it will cost and the other you are asking the Town to buy a pig in a poke. There is no idea what the cost will be, we are being asked to ok the split but we only know part of the cost. Dave explained when the town comes back to attempt to secure the rest of the money the townspeople will be the ones saying yes or no. We don't know now the amount but whatever is spent on the fire department will not happen without the vote of this body. George stated that did not answer his question. The question is "How much is it going to cost us for the fire station?" He thinks it is time the taxpayers say you have this much money to spend for the fire station and if you can't do it, don't do it. Dave explained that is the option the taxpayers will have next year. George did not agree; he stated they were going to split the money with about 2 million dollars to build the Police Department and about $2.2 million left for the fire department. Dave Short explained there would be no construction on the fire department this year. The time would be spent in firming up the design and planning and cost estimating. George Miller stated there is nothing in the warrant article that says that. He would like it to be stated in the article that the only money we are going to spend right now is for the Police Department until we authorize anything else. Because other than that, he feels they are being asked to buy a pig in a poke.

Dave Short asked Paul Deschaine if there were any reason that could not be put into the article. George's concern is taking it on faith that is what is going to happen.

Lucy Cushman, chair of the committee, explained that if they knew what the fire department was going to cost they would be asking for that amount. The committee does know they can't build a single complex for the money they have and they can't build two separate buildings for the amount either. The committee agreed the priority was for the police station. The fire department stated they were not in a desperate situation; they would rather wait to get something they really want than get something that is not right. The Police Department worked with an architect and with Bonnette, Page, and Stone, and has a complete proposal. All you are voting on is to split the building, and the police can start as soon as the building season starts. Lucy stated, "there is absolutely no intention by anyone on our committee or on the Board of Selectmen to proceed with the fire station until after town meeting next year. We are not ready." Mike Keene has a design that he has done and the building will cost more money than what will be left after building the police station. The fire department and emergency management have not had the chance to make the tough decisions as yet. The fire department would rather have what they

have now than build what they could build with the money they have left; it is just not going to meet their needs and they are not interested. John Sapienza tried to explain the wording of this article; he asked the same question, that the article does not cover the contingency for the money down the road. He was told by Paul Deschaine that the DRA stated that was the way it had to be. John asked with the wording of this article, could the Board of Selectmen say that the citizens are saying that the fire department must build with the money that is left with no additional funds being asked for next year? He feels the wording needs to be clarified. George Doran of Drumlin Road asked whether there were any cost benefit studies done on combining fire and police on cross-training and combining the forces. Are there any other options that were discussed either public or non-public? Moreover, what is the course of action if this is not approved? Dave Short explained that as part of the original process, there was a needs study done of both departments and originally the design, which came back was basically two buildings which touched each other. There are different needs and security issues, which also made it very difficult. If this does not pass, Dave felt that everyone would get together and have a discussion and probably give the money back and start over. Dave stated that the group has raised every option and question and the committee has worked very hard. To take the entire project down does not make sense; he explained that the other departments, library and town staff need more space so the longer of a delay to get the Police Department into a new facility, the longer other departments get delayed also. Ted Bedford from the Peninsula said he had no problem with the substance of the article but the article seems very vague and has major problems, which need to be amended. One is the amount of money for the Police Department is not in the article and could be any amount or go beyond the amount being discussed. The second thing is the expenditures for the fire department before the next town meeting because the money has already been raised. He feels an amendment should be made to specify the amount of money for the police and make it clear that it is specifically forbidden to expend the money on the fire department until such time it is approved by the Town. Paul Deschaine explained again that the article was worded for the DRA and the bond council so we act in accordance with the law. If the language deviates beyond the RSA's, the article may be disallowed. He has a concern if changed it would be disallowed by these two entities. Ted Bedford said he understood we had to satisfy DRA and the bond council, but he felt the Board had an obligation to the townspeople also. Paul felt the Board and the committee had responded to the task; they have only spent money which has been converted for this purpose, and he stated that nothing else has been built; and he feels you need to take it on that faith that if they have not built it by now, because it was not right then and it is not right later to build the fire department with an under-funded appropriation, then they will not do that either; but the most immediate need and that is the purpose they are trying to seek this article for. Jeff Wilson, Willowbrook Avenue said that he does not feel he can vote for this article. One of the reasons is because of the wording of the article being very open and vague. He would like to know the price and he has no confidence and would like an amendment to the article. The second point is a split and he feels they could vote this article down and vote yes on the next article. Nancy Hunter, Brown Avenue, asked for an answer to that question. Chief Daley said they have a guarantee maximum amount of $1.926 million. When the split of the money took place, the Police Department was told it could use $1.9 from the original bond, and if the next article passes that $50,000 of the interest goes to the Police Department also. That is the figure they worked with to design the building. That is the maximum amount they will spend on that building; they hope it will be less but they did not go to get construction plans because they did not want to go to the expense to have construction

plans to get hard solid figures. They used the design to get a guaranteed maximum price at 1.926 million. Nancy Hunter asked why they could not write the amount into the article so the rest of the money will be left for the fire department. She stated the problem is because no one knows what the price is. Lynn Doran, 7 Drumlin Road, asked whether due diligence was done in the beginning and if not, that is spilt milk but can they be assured that due diligence will be done for the remainder of the work? Lucy Cushman responded by saying when the plan was taken to the Planning Board it was realized the building was too big for the size lot and no one liked it. After the meeting, everyone sat down and worked with the plan and decided there was nothing left to take out. The building was to meet the needs of the Town for 20 years. The committee tried to purchase the church land again, but that did not work. So, they went to the next option, which had been started 3 years before. All options were gone over again and the committee has been working very hard; she is not opposed to amending the article but does not want the article to be rejected by the DRA. Patrick Abrami, 9 Tall Pines Drive, stated he was going to vote for the article; he stated he trusted Lucy and Chief Daley but he has a concern that 2/3 is a lot and this article may not pass, and asked if there was a parliamentary way in which we can put on an amendment; what can the floor do to come up with some verbiage to put everyone at ease? If the article is not amended, can there be another article to state we will only spend $1.9 million and we will not start building the fire department until after next town meeting? Mr. Abrami stated that if this fails the Town has just lost another year. Paul explained that certainly the floor of any town meeting can amend any article; however, it cannot add an article because the public was not warned of the new article. He can't guarantee what the result of an amendment could mean, but gave the forewarning that it may not be accepted and your intent will be defeated anyway. Carol Gulla clarified the only thing this article is saying is that we gave the Town permission 3 years ago to build one building and in order to build 2 we must give them permission to build 2. She also understood that the article can be amended but once you start changing money articles you do risk having it challenged; would it be possible to fashion a floor warrant that states upon passage of article 7 the Town requests that an amount for the Police Department be spent and the remaining money will be held until next year, would that satisfy everyone's concerns? Dave Short addressed the question. One suggestion is to add to part (i) and add at the end "for a sum not to exceed $1.926 million." Seconded by Ted Bedford. David Emanuel explained the amendment needed to be discussed before a vote on the amendment and before the vote of the article. Preston Webber from High Street asked where the money came from to buy the property and how much money does the Town have? And where is it and what did it cost, etc. Jerry Howard explained that question did not speak to the amendment. Mr. Webber asked about the question and Jerry explained the body had to vote on the amendment before going back to any discussion. Dave Emanuel had concerns because if the article could have been done differently, it would have been, and if it gets messed up, the costs will keep going up. He asked to keep the article as it was. George Doran asked if the town attorney was present and if he could speak to the article. The attorney is not present. Lissa Ham of Dumbarton Oaks asked if Keith McBay could explain how he justified the $1.926 million. Lucy Cushman said if that would help, they are not residents of the Town and would need special permission to speak. Roger Stephenson asked if there was a reason the figure was not put into the article in the first place. Paul explained the number was not known at the time of drafting the article and in part, the State and counsel already recognize we have a $5 million bond already authorized and this in not a new action. Jerry Howard said there would be no objection to the architect speaking. Aidan Barry from Hersey Lane made a point of order about switching subjects when there is a motion on the

floor and asked if he would speak to the amendment. It was stated he would only talk about the amount of money to justify the amount. Aidan Barry was concerned whether an amendment is appropriate with a voice vote and is concerned about not having a lawyer present. If we support the amendment, everything could be thrown out anyway. "We need to think about the legality of what we are doing." Diane Morgera from High Street stated she agreed with Aidan and agreed with Lucy that this is the kind of Town where we do not usually have to call a lawyer. Three years ago, we had the discussion on the money, this article is written, and everyone has done their due diligence. Paul has consulted with all the people involved, and as a member of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, she said she has dealt with the DRA and we do not want to change their wording. It probably is not legal, and Diane also thinks the amendment is not right because if the amount does go over by $2,000 we will be back here to approve it. She explained we had $5 million originally, we have spend about $1.2 million or so acquiring the land and expenses; we have $3.8 million left and we are saying we are going to spend about half of that for the Police Department. The other half will be for the fire department, which already has the land; she feels with the other money left we must trust the people elected to do this and the committee, and clearly we need to go ahead because the longer we wait the more it is going to cost, and at this point the Police Department is under duress, and she asked to vote down the amendment. Jerry asked for the vote on the amendment. The vote on the amendment to the article was defeated so the article stands as written. Mr Abrami asked to move the question and it was seconded. The vote was taken to move the question, which passed and the voting on the article started at 9:16 pm. The meeting was stopped while the people in the room voted on Article #7. The last call for voting on Article #7 was called at 10:16 pm and the polls were closed at 10:17 pm. 154 votes were cast for this article: 110 yes and 44 no. 103 votes were needed for a 2/3 vote, and the article was declared passed.

Article # 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty eight thousand two hundred sixty seven dollars and not cents (138,267.00), which represents the unexpended earnings from the time of issuance to Dec. 31,2005 on the invested bond proceeds, and which was transferred to the general fund on or about Dec. 31, 2005, for the following purposes: (i) the construction and equipping of a new police station, or portions thereof, on land previously acquired with the proceeds of the bonds; (ii) the construction and equipping of fire station facilities, or portions thereof, on land previously acquired with the proceeds of the bonds located next to the existing fire station; and (iii) related costs and expenses, and authorize the use in that amount of the Dec. 31.2005 fund balance for these purposes. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific purposes are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

Dave Short made the motion to accept this article and Kirk Scamman seconded the motion. Dave explained the article. The way this article is written, this will be the last time we will have to make this request to give the Selectmen the ability to spend the interest earned on the bond monies for the construction of these facilities. Lynn Doran from 7 Drumlin Road asked if this article was the same as Article 7 but the source of money is different. Are we also talking about splitting it between the two buildings or is this something totally different? Dave Emanuel explained this only addressed the interest on the money, not the money itself. She understands that and asked if the money would be split or not. David Short explained it is not a matter of splitting the money; the money will just go into the pot. The money for the buildings will still come out of the bond.

The vote was taken and Article 8 was declared passed.

Article #9: Budget, to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray general town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same. The sum to be raised and appropriated is $ 4,380,281. David Short made the motion to accept the article and Martin Wool seconded the motion. Dave Short explained the article and there were no questions. The vote was taken to approve the $4,380,281 budget, and the vote was in the affirmative and the article declared passed.

Article #10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred forty four thousand three hundred dollars and no cents ($544,300.00) to implement the Capital Improvements Program for 2006 as presented in the Town Report and approved by the Planning Board. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific items are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7(VI). Martin Wool made the motion to accept the article and Kirk Scamman seconded the motion. Marty explained each item. There were no questions, and the vote was taken in the affirmative and the article declared passed.

Article #11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement amounting to $82,797.00 for the purpose of leasing three new police cruisers for the Police Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty seven thousand five hundred ninety nine dollars and no cents ($27,599.00) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease/purchase agreement contains a fiscal funding clause. Kirk Scamman made the motion to accept this article and Dave Short seconded the motion. Kirk explained the article. He stated that we have used this program several times and it works out very well for the upkeep of our police cars. We pay for one vehicle each year and then own them at the end of the lease for $1.00. There were no questions. The vote was taken in the affirmative and the article declared passed.

Article #12: Are you in favor of adopting the following ordinance: "An ordinance for the regulation of dogs." The entire ordinance is printed with the warrant.

The motion was made by Kirk Scamman to wave the reading of the entire article, as it is very long. Dave Short seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the reading of the article was waved. Kirk Scamman made the motion to move the article as printed, which was seconded by Dave Short. Kirk explained that the Board of Selectmen have looked very hard at the dog ordinance over the past several years and due to the increased population of people and animals, the Board feels this is a good idea. They feel this article and ordinance will help protect the people of Stratham, not only on their own property but also on the streets and in public places. He explained at the Stratham Hill Park there is an area where dogs can run and the Park has a separate ordinance, and this ordinance does not affect the Park, but does take affect in all other places. Aidan Barry, Hersey Lane, questioned Section C. It seems to indicate that if he has permission to run his dog on someone's private property, that it would be against the law. Prohibitions Section C is what he is questioning. Carol Gulla explained that section is speaking about poop. He also questioned Exception #3 A and asked where someone could hunt, herd, or compete with their dog. Chief Daley clarified Section 2-C does state what Mr. Barry thought and he stated if needed the ordinance could be amended to take into consideration if you have

permission from the landowner; it was not the intent to bother someone with permission. Aidan asked if Exception Section A. could be clarified. Chief Daley explained that was where he felt that if you had permission you could go on their property this would allow them to train their dog. Bob Mitchell asked if Exceptions Section D was generalizing Stratham Hill Park and the town forest, because we don't want dogs walked in the Park but they should walk in the Town Forest. Mike Daley stated the Park Ordinance states that dogs can run in the backfields and forest area. Mr. Mitchell wanted to be assured the Park Ordinance stated the Town Forest. David Perkins stated it is clear the wooded areas on the Park and Town Forest are included. Paul Deschaine explained the ordinance for the Park was written because it is Town land and the Selectmen have the authority to regulate town land, and the Board does not have the authority to act on a general dog ordinance. The Park Ordinance does specifically say where a dog can run by definition. Peter Mason from River Road is concerned about Section 4 A, if the dog growls, snaps at, runs after, or chases any person or persons. He stated that is almost the definition of a dog. He thinks this could be enforced inappropriately; if he owned a dog, he would want the dog to respond that way to a stranger. Mr. Henricks of Union Road also objected to the same section. He stated it did not even say where this was to take place, if it were your own property or someone else's. Mike Daley stated the Town already has this in the ordinance. The Town adopted RSA 466 many years ago; this wording is already in that one. You can take it out of this one as the Town already has it in another one. He gave a history as to why this ordinance came about. The Police Department, being unable to find a dog officer, had taken this on and they have had situations where the Police Department has the animal control law but not a leash law, and it is very hard if you need to take anyone to court to get a conviction when someone's dog is loose. The situation was that a dog off its own land went through a screen door to attack a cat and also attacked the homeowner at the same time. To convict the owner of the dog the Police Department had to prove the owner did not have control, because if the owner could call the dog and it came back, it was considered under control; with a leash law the law is cut and dried, the dog does not belong there. These things were included because they have situations where there are vicious dogs on your own property or not. Mr. Henricks does not have any problem with a dog biting but the snapping and growling he does. He has a herding dog and his dog does that. David Emanuel asked if Mr. Henricks would like to make an amendment. Mr. Henricks doesn't think it should be a violation. Chief Daley explained the intent of this is not to police a dog on its own property; it is generally to deal with a dog when it is in public. If a dog is running down the road, it not only is off the leash it is also off its own property, and if this occurs, this ordinance would cover that. Aidan Barry asked to make an amendment to Section 3 Exceptions and make it Section E. "Dogs may run at large on private land with the land owner's permission." The motion was made and seconded by Bob Mitchell. Philip Mahr question the wording, David Emanuel read the amendment again. Brad Jones, Winnicutt Road, thought it was a bad idea because of dogs that chase deer and other kinds of wildlife. The vote was taken by voice and then it was taken by standing vote and the vote was declared in the affirmative, and the amendment passed adding section 3. E.

It being an hour for the polls for Article 7 being open, David Emanuel called for the last call for anyone to vote on that article. David closed the vote on Article 7 at 10:17 pm. He asked Jerry Howard, Susan Hunter, and Carol Gulla to count the votes.

The discussion was continued on Article 12, Leash Law. Sarah MacGregor questioned who would determine a vicious dog and commented that she has more trouble with turkeys. Chief Daley explained that would be settled by the judge of the district court. Mr. Henricks asked if

the dog is impounded, where does the dog go and who pays for it and what happens. Chief Mike Daley said most dogs they pick up don't have tags. If they know whose dog it is, they will bring it to the owner; if not, the Town has a contract with the SPCA and the fee is $25.00 per day, and after seven days, the dog belongs to the SPCA. Mr. Henricks would like to know if 4A could be changed, as he does not think it is right to fine someone for the dog on its own property. Chief Daley explained if someone is on your property, the law is trying to cover any situation if a dog is about to or does harm to an individual. David Emanuel asked Mr. Henricks if he wanted to make an amendment. Mr. Henricks asked that 4A be deleted. David asked him to clarify if it were an amendment. Mr. Henricks did, and the amendment to delete Section 4A was seconded by Peter Mason. Chief Mike Daley explained if this was deleted in the entirety it is not just on your own property it is out at large as well, and he would like the amendment to deal with just on your own property if you are going to make an amendment. Debra Woods is concerned the language is very subjective. Mike Gootee asked that the amendment not be supported. The neighborhood he lived in is a great neighborhood but there are a lot of children and dogs. His daughter has been scared or taken off her bike before and even if the dog is not off its property, the dogs come to the side of the road where the bicycles also ride and there is not much room. Dave Short also agreed he would not support the amendment and stated a lot of the calls are going to be judgment calls by the judges. The Police Department is a good department and the intent of the ordinance is not to go around and strictly regulate every action to every dog, it is to give them the tools so when a serious situation arises they can deal with it. David Emanuel asked if there were any other questions or comments and there being none, he asked for the vote on the amendment to strike Section 4A from the ordinance. The vote was taken and failed, so the ordinance stands with Section 4A remaining. David Short made a motion to move the question, which was seconded by Martin Wool. The vote was taken to move the question and the motion passed. The vote was taken on Article 12, and the article passed with the one amendment to add Section 3 E. Article 12 declared passed.

Article #13: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Police Detail Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h. All the money received by the Town from fees, charges, and other income derived from private police details shall be deposited in this fund and shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen with no further town meeting's approval required. These funds may be expended only for police-related purposes as stated in RSA 31:95-h, and no expenditures shall be made in such a way to require the expenditure of other Town funds, which have not been appropriated for that purpose. David Short made the motion to accept the article and Martin Wool seconded the motion. Dave explained the article. This is for housekeeping as every year they have to appropriate some money to cover payment of police details, which is an educated guess. On police details, the Town is reimbursed for expenses of the town vehicles, the officers, overhead, etc. This would allow the Town to pull this amount out of the budget, which it really is a revolving fund because what is spent is replaced. It would give a more accurate way of preparing the budget. Roger Stephenson said it was straightforward but wanted to clarify that the amount of money in the police budget for special details were funds that were expended and then reimbursed. Dave Short said yes.

There were no further questions so David Emanuel asked for the vote; it was in the affirmative and the article passed

David Emanuel gave the results on Article #7. There were 110 yes votes and 44 no; David declared the article passed.

Article #14: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the portion of old Portsmouth Avenue (formerly State Route 101) lying between State Route 33 and Tax Map14, Lot 17, Lot 18-1, Lot 18-2, Lot 19, Lot 20, Lot 21, Lot 22 and Lot 23 and deed any interest it may have in said roadway and in the parcel of land lying between said roadway and State Route 33, to the owners of the aforesaid lots, under such terms and conditions as the Selectmen may determine. The motion was made by Martin Wool and seconded by Kirk Scamman to accept this article. Marty explained the article. Back in the late 1950's the State redid Route 101, and by the Noyes property on Route 33 you will notice the telephone poles go through the woods a little bit; that is where the road used to be. Page 32 of the town report has a rendition of what is going on. In the process of the Noyes selling their property, they hired a company to survey their property and in the process, they found that this had happened. The road was given to the Town and the Town has abandoned it due to a lack of use, and the State also owns a small portion in the area so the Noyes asked if the Town would deed it to them so as to clear up what everyone in the area owns. Bruce Scamman from Emanuel Engineering was present to explain further what they have found, and Marty stated maybe the land could get cleaned up and transferred so everyone knows what they own. Bruce Scamman explained they did a boundary survey of lot 18-2. In 1959, the State took land as a new roadbed where it lies today. In 1961 the State granted the old road back to the Town as a Class 5 road, and when a Class 5 road is not maintained for over 5 years it reverts to a Class 6 road which is a discontinued road, but because of the RSAs, that cannot just go back to the property owners without a vote of the town meeting to protect the right of the public so Town rights-of-way do not just disappear. There is also a football-shaped piece of land between that property and the new road that is in question. The Noyes family formally owned all the land and sold the portion on the Park side of the road to the Town, and it is unclear about the football-shaped portion between the road and the current Noyes property. This portion will also be part of this transfer so the deeds will not show the properties as landlocked, it will show the line going to the right of way of Route 33. The two triangles at each end were retained by the State so the property owners will have to go to the State to solve that portion of the situation. David Emanuel asked if there were any questions. Kerry Frasier asked if he could speak for Wallace York from Lot #22 and asked if he could ask a few questions, but he is not a resident. David Emanuel asked if anyone had any problems with Kerry speaking. There were no objections. Kerry asked who would set the new boundary markers and who is responsible for the cost because the deeds would be recorded at the Registry of Deeds. Is that to be incurred by the property owners or what? Bruce Scamman stated for the York property on Lot 22 as far as he can tell that property does not have any frontage involved in this. Emanuel Engineers have not done the boundary surveys; the information has come from the Department of Transportation plans. That area would be one of the triangles that would come from the State and what the Town will be voting on tonight will not affect Mr. York's property. He would have to apply to the State. David Emanuel asked if there were going to be any additional expenses incurred by the property owners. Bruce Scamman said if they want to go forward and get all the deeds written up properly, there would be additional costs to the property owners. David Emanuel asked if there were any other questions. Bob Mitchell stated this article allows the Town to discontinue and to transfer the deeds; however, the Board determines all we are doing is

enabling. Mr. Henrick asked what is on the land right now, if you looked at it. Bruce Scamman stated there is a public utility and there will be a right-of way for that, and there are wetlands, and you can still see the old roadbed. David Emanuel asked for any other questions. There were no questions so the vote was taken. It was in the affirmative, and the article was declared passed.

Article 15: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

David Short thanked everyone on various boards and commissions. Dave thanked the building committee for the public safety complex for all of their work and time, the budget committee for all their help to the Board of Selectmen, the fire department with all their volunteers who are on call 24 hours per day, the conservation commission, the *ad hoc* committee, and all the other volunteer groups. Kirk Scamman asked for more volunteers; there are several openings on boards and commissions, and the Board would like anyone interested to submit their request in writing as soon as possible. Martin Wool announced that the conservation commission spring clean up will be on Saturday, April 22, 2006, which is Earth Day, and begins at 9:00 am at the Park with a barbecue after for the volunteers, all volunteers are welcome. He also announced the Park is 100 years old and a committee is getting a celebration together for the end of August. He announced the vote for Selectmen is very close and there is going to be a recount, and Marty thanked Dave Short for his years of service; he stated that Dave has done a great job. Marty asked for everyone to pick up their chairs when the meeting is over. Stan Walker also thanked Dave Short for his work as Selectman. Allison Pike also asked for volunteers for the recreation commission for all year round. Dave Emanuel reminded everyone as we leave the meeting we are all working to better our community, we may all have different approaches and different ideas of solving the problems of the world, but please respect the Stratham way that we do our business and politics; we may have differences in the room when we make decisions but we are all friends, family and neighbors when we leave, and he has the deepest respect for everyone who participated and thanked everyone. David announced the meeting closed at 10:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley S. Daley, Town Clerk

RECOUNT OF VOTES
March 27, 2006

Selectman David Short requested a recount of the votes for the office of Selectman and for Warrant Article #5, which would change the number of Board members from 3 members to 5 members.

The recount was held on March 27, 2006 at 9:00 am in the Selectman's meeting room. The recount board was: David Emanuel, Shirley Daley, Martin Wool, Kirk Scamman, and Jerry Howard, alternate Kenneth Lanzillo. Chief Michael Daley and Lt. Richard Wood, Bruno Federico and David Short were also present. All ballots were counted twice with the results showing Bruno Federico received 518, David Short received 520; there were 48 blank ballots

and 1 write-in vote for a total of 1087 ballots cast. The board was requested to count the ballots one more time and the board agreed. The final vote came out the same. The board certified the recount and I announced there was a 5-day appeal period to the superior court, which would be April 1, 2006. If there is no appeal, David Short will be sworn in as Selectman on Monday, April 3, 2006. His $10 will be refunded as the count came out different.

The same recount board counted the ballots for Article #5. Robert Goodrich and Richard Alsterberg were observers. The final count was Yes 554, No 497. There were 35 blank ballots, and one ballot was eliminated by the board, for a total of 1087 ballots cast. The article passed, and next March three members will be elected to bring the Board of Selectmen to a total of five members. The ballots were sealed and put into the safe.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley S. Daley
Town Clerk-Tax Collector

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 8 PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Municipal Center on Tuesday, on the thirteenth day of March 2007, next at eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1: – To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To amend the zoning ordinances to add a new **Section 3.4.13 and Section 3.7 Flexible\Mixed Use Development District** to the Stratham Zoning Ordinance to address the re-development of the current Community College site. The new sections will require any developer to utilize compact village development guidelines, to encourage the creation of human-scale development with pedestrian friendly spaces, centralized park areas, recreational opportunities and to meet energy efficiency standards and sustainability practices. The proposed ordinance also encourages a mixed-use environment, which would allow opportunities to develop new or provide for the adaptive reuse of existing structures where flexible performance standards would provide for the protection of abutting neighborhoods, surrounding properties and uses. The amendments would read as follows:

3.4.13 Flexible\Mixed Use Development District

The intent of this district is to address the re-development of the current NH Community College site. The ordinance requires any developer to utilize compact village development guidelines for new development, which encourages the creation of human-scale development with pedestrian friendly spaces, centralized park areas, recreational opportunities and energy efficiency standards and sustainability practices. The ordinance also encourages a mixed-use environment, which allows opportunities to develop new or provides for the adaptive reuse of existing structures where flexible performance standards provide for the protection of abutting neighborhoods, surrounding properties and uses.

3.7.1 Purpose

This section provides for the redevelopment of the NH Community Technical College site, which is a very unique property in Stratham. If no opportunity for change were provided for within this ordinance, proposed reuses could be limited to state, federal or other governmental institutional uses.

The purpose and goals of this section are to provide for the possible redevelopment of the site within the following guidelines:

- To encourage a mixed-use environment, which would allow opportunities to develop or provide for the adaptive reuse of existing structures where flexible performance standards would provide for the protection of abutting neighborhoods, surrounding properties and uses.
- To provide for limited commercial, office, and light industrial uses which are similar in nature, and which improve employment opportunities and strengthen the economic base of the town. Such activities should be sensitive to the natural environment, "Dark Sky" lighting standards, adjacent residential areas and other community facilities.
- To utilize compact village development guidelines, which would encourage the creation of human-scale development with "Town Center" pedestrian friendly spaces, centralized park areas, and recreational opportunities.
- To encourage any new development to meet energy efficiency standards and sustainability practices.

In order to maintain protections for surrounding properties, development under this ordinance may require more stringent buffer requirements for neighboring residential zones and uses. Due to the sensitivity of the environment and potential proximity to residential areas, only specific alternative uses will be permitted.

3.7.2 Zone Defined

The Flexible\Mixed Use Development District shall include:

Map 14 Lot 24

3.7.3 Allowed Uses

The following uses are allowed primary uses within the zone:

a. Retirement Planned Community as defined in section 5.6.

b. Senior multi-family housing, congregate care facilities, retirement home or other supported or independent living arrangement for active adults.

c. Adult, family, or child-care facilities.

d. Educational facilities.

e. Medical offices, laboratory, clinic, medical support services, or short and long-term care facilities.

f. Research and development, corporate and business offices.

g. Professional services.

h. Hotel/Conference Center and related Facilities

i. Indoor recreation/entertainment center/health club.

j. Those uses currently allowed within the RA and PRE zones unless otherwise prohibited or limited within this section.

The following uses shall require a Conditional Use Permit issued by the Planning Board and shall only be allowed as subordinate or complimentary use to any of the above primary uses:

k. Multi-family housing, limited to 2-bed room units.

l. General commercial and/or retail, limited to a maximum of 20,000 sq. ft. per unit.

m. Outdoor recreation/entertainment facilities.

n. Food service or full service restaurant, limited to a maximum of 10,000 sq. ft. per unit.

o. Bank (drive-up and/or office) or financial service.

p. Light Industry.

q. Cultural uses.

r. Social service or church/religious use.

s. Veterinary Hospital or clinic.

t. Any other use, which may be determined by the Planning Board to be subordinate and/or accessory to a primary allowed use.

3.7.4 Development Standards

Any re-use of existing structures where no major external changes are made, parking requirements do not exceed current available spaces, no increase in current septic discharge occurs and traffic impacts are not increased from previous community college use shall be treated as a minor site review by the Planning Board with expedited review and approval.

Any proposed new development shall require full site plan review by the Planning Board and comply with the following standards:

a. All drainage shall be entirely controlled and reintegrated on-site.

b. Site layout should attempt to reflect a compact village style.

c. All new construction shall follow environmentally sustainable practices and BMP's, which would qualify for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) credits.

d. All new site work shall implement Low Impact Development (LID) BMP's.

e. All signage shall follow the standards within section 7.3 of these ordinances as allowed within the Town Center zone except for setbacks, which shall only apply to an external lot line. The Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process shall approve all internal lot line setbacks for signage.

f. Any new development shall meet the requirements of Sections 5.2 Landscape Design Standards and Section 5.15 Architectural Plans of the Stratham Site Plan Review Regulations.

In addition, the Planning Board, through its Site Plan Review and Subdivision application process, may require any additional standards, which shall mitigate adverse impacts from any proposed uses. The Board may require additional buffers or performance standards, which will reduce or eliminate any objectionable activities or impacts.

3.7.5 Setbacks and Streetscape

a. Setbacks to any existing exterior lot line shall be 100'.

b. Setbacks for any new construction on any new interior street shall be measured as a build-to line of no less than 20'.

c. All new street construction shall provide for a sidewalk with curbing where appropriate and also where appropriate a 4' green buffer strip between the paved portion of the street and the sidewalk.

d. Any new lots within the parcel shall require no more than 50' of frontage and shall allow for zero lot-line setbacks to allow attached structures or for a 10' minimum separation between structures.

3.7.6 Prohibited Uses

The following restrictions shall exist and uses not allowed within the Flex/Mixed Use district:

a. Adult Oriented Uses;

b. Recycling Facilities;

c. Automotive Sales;

d. Gas/Service Stations;

e. Junk Yards;

f. Hazardous Waste Storage.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 3: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To Amend **Sections 2.1 Definitions** and **Section 7 Signs** of Stratham Zoning Ordinance to address real-estate signs, contractor signs, snipe signs, yard sale signs, agricultural signs, and other off-site signage issues. The amendment would restrict the off-site location of real-estate signage, would address other types of signage, and would provide for the enforcement of the ordinance and removal of any illegal signage. The amendment replaces the current Section 7 and replaces it in its entirety with the new language. The amendments would read as follows:

2.1 DEFINITIONS:

2.1.__ Sign, Agricultural, Temporary / Seasonal: A temporary sign advertising or providing direction to a Farm Stand or farm/agricultural sales activity. The sign shall be seasonal or temporary in nature and with conditions and permissions may be located off-site and within a town right-of-way.

2.1.57 Sign, Contractor's / Development Sign: A temporary sign advertising the contractor or development firm actively engaged in developing the site or parcel on which the sign is located. **(Rev. 3/93)**

2.1.__ Sign, Snipe: An informal off premises sign which is tacked or otherwise attached to a tree, pole, stake, fence, other sign structure, or other such structure advertising an organization or activity or displaying a message which is not applicable to the present use of the site upon which the snipe sign is attached.

2.1.__ Sign, Vehicle: A sign mounted onto, or otherwise affixed to a) the body or window of a motor vehicle, or b) any other device designed for transport on any public roads.

7.1 PURPOSES:

The intent of this Section is to allow the erection of signs, for the purposes of providing information and advertising, in an orderly, effective, and safe manner. Restrictions on type, location, and size of signs protect the public from hazardous and distracting displays and create an attractive environment, which is conducive to business, industry, and tourism.

7.2 GENERAL REGULATIONS:

7.2.1 Sign Table: Table 7.3 lists the types, sizes, and locations of permitted signs according to the use of property and zoning districts. Any sign not specifically listed shall not be permitted. The following exceptions are permitted:

a. Governmental Signs: Signs erected by the municipal, state, or federal government, which are required for the public safety and welfare, shall be allowed.

b. Service/Civic Association Signs: Service and civic associations, defined as organizations established by local citizens and which have non-profit tax status, may apply to the Board of Adjustment for a special exception to erect signs in the municipality providing that the following conditions are met: (1) an individual sign is no larger than four (4) square feet, (2) the organization has written permission for placement of the sign from the landowner, and (3) the sign will not cause a safety hazard or have a visual effect on the surroundings.

c. Directional Signs: In any zone, signs not exceeding two (2) square feet per sign in area to point direction to residences, businesses, other allowed uses or meeting places or for directing traffic into or out of a site are permitted.

d. Real estate signs: As defined in Section II and 4 sq. ft. or smaller in size, do not need to obtain a permit as long as they comply with the conditions listed below and the provisions outlined in Section 7.3. **(Rev. 3/93)** Any sign in excess of 4 sq. ft. shall require a permit.

 i. Real estate signs may only advertise the property on which they are situated.

 ii. Real estate signs may not be illuminated.

 iii. There may be no more than one sign per street frontage.

 iv. The signs must be removed within 15 days of consummation of the sale or lease.

 v. A portable real estate open house sign not to exceed 2 square feet may be placed off-site only on the day of the open house and no longer than 1 hour before and 30 minutes after the open house is taking place.

e. Contractor's Sign: As defined in Section II, shall be required to obtain a permit and comply with the conditions listed below and the provisions outlined in Section 7.3.

 i. The signs may not be placed on the property prior to 15 days before the expected start of construction or upon issuance of a building permit (whichever is latter) nor maintained on the property beyond 15 days after completion of work or upon issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy (whichever is earlier).

 ii. No more than one sign per contractor may be placed on the site and the total area of all contractors' signage shall not exceed 32 sq. ft.

 iii. Contractor signs shall not be illuminated.

 iv. Signs, which advertise for a contractor who does continual maintenance or service of a site, shall not be allowed.

f. Development signs: As defined in Section II, shall require a permit and may not be placed on the property prior to 15 days before the expected start of development activity nor maintained on the property beyond 15 days after issuance of the final certificate of occupancy or 4 years from the original date of issue. The CEO may issue additional sign permits on an annual basis only beyond the original permit, if he finds that significant sales activity is taking place on the site. Significant sales activity may be determined to be a staffed sales office, regular on-site sales staff hours for lots or new units or continued new-unit construction activities.

g. Yard sale signs: Do not need to obtain a permit as long as they comply with the conditions listed below.

 i. Yard sale signs may not be placed prior to 3 days before the sale and must be removed within 1 day after the sale.

ii. They may not exceed 6 square feet and may not be illuminated.

iii. The signs may be placed off premises for noncommercial sales related to a single residential dwelling unit (or informal joint sales among neighbors) only provided they are not placed on utility poles and are not a distraction to traffic.

h. Agricultural Sign, Temporary / Seasonal:

i. Shall require a permit and may be placed off-site and within a Town right-of-way only with the permission of the Board of Selectmen, and a letter granting approval for the location from the owner of the property of which the sign is located in front of.

ii. Placement shall not exceed 7 months continuously for a season with an additional 30 contiguous or non-contiguous days for the sale of agricultural products.

iii. If located within a Town right-of-way shall not exceed 6 square feet.

iv. If located on private property any sign shall be limited to 12 square feet.

7.2.2 Sign Permits:

a. No sign shall be erected or placed without a permit issued by the Building Inspector in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance or upon a decision by the Board of Adjustment.

b. All new signage, related to any new development, which may require Site Plan Review and not exempted in section 7.2.1 shall receive Planning Board approval prior to the issuance of any permit. **(Added 03/06)**

7.2.3 Prohibited Signs:

The following signs are prohibited:

a. Signs, any part of which moves or flashes or on which the lights appear to travel or are animated and which shall include variable electronic message signage; **(added 03/05)**

b. Signs, which by reason of location, size, color, or design interfere with public traffic or be confused with or obstruct the view or effectiveness of any official traffic signal or traffic marking;

c. Any off premises sign or signs which are located off of the property that they are advertising;

d. Signs located on the roof of any structures;

e. Any snipe sign;

f. Strings of light bulbs whether in conjunction with a sign or not except as conventionally used as part of a holiday celebration;

g. Any sign which causes glare onto a public road or any neighboring property;

h. Any sign which emits a sound or visible matter such as smoke or vapor;

i. Internally illuminated signs may be permitted only in the General Commercial and Commercial/Light Industry/Office and Industrial-zoning districts for certain permitted uses. **(Rev. 3/96; Rev. 3/98)**

j. Any banner or sign mounted to or on a vehicle or trailer, which is displayed in public view, where the purpose is to advertise a business.

7.2.4 Temporary Mobile and/or Portable Signs: New businesses may use a temporary mobile sign (or trailer mounted sign) while awaiting the arrival of a permanent sign. Such signs shall be allowed only until the permanent sign(s) is installed or for thirty (30) days, whichever is shorter. A permit shall be secured from the Building Inspector for the placement of such signs.

7.2.5 Maintenance and Obsolescence: All signs and sign structures shall be properly maintained and kept in a neat and proper state of maintenance and appearance. All signs of any type and located within any district which are found by the Building Inspector to be in a state of disrepair or are considered dangerous, shall be repaired or removed on order of the Building Inspector and upon failure to comply with this order within the time specified within the order, the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to cause removal of this sign and any expense resultant thereto shall be borne by the owner/lessee.

7.2.6 Existing Nonconforming Signs: Shall not be enlarged, expanded, or brought closer to the front lot line than what is allowed under Section 7.3. Signs which are replaced (other than the message portion of the signs) shall comply with the standards of this section. **(Rev. 3/94)**

7.2.7 Computation of Area. The area of a sign (which is also the sign area of a wall sign or other sign) shall be computed by means of the smallest square, circle, rectangle, triangle, or combination thereof that will encompass the extreme limits of the writing, representation, emblem, or other display together with any material or color forming an integral part of the background of the display or used to differentiate the sign from the backdrop, background or structure against which it is placed. Areas of supporting framework shall be excluded from this calculation up to the amount of 35% of the total area as calculated above. All supporting framework, bracing, or decoration in excess of the 35% limit shall be deemed part of computation of the maximum aggregate area.

An applicant for any sign may be exempted from the 35% limit by Conditional Use permit granted by the Planning Board. The Planning Board may require that any applicant applying for said exemption provide detailed drawings of the proposed signage including framework, bracing, or decoration for review by the Board. The Board shall find that the exemption compliments the visual design of the sign and site, and size and location of the sign do not impede the safe flow of traffic into or out of the site. Prior to any issuance of a permit for exemption, the Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Officer shall determine that the area of the sign, not including the areas of supporting framework, comply with the standards set forth in this section. The Planning Board is not required to hold a

public hearing for the issuance of any permit issued under this sub-section, but any discussion and vote shall take place at a posted regular Planning Board meeting or workshop where the application for the permit is noted on the officially posted agenda for such meeting. **(Rev. 03/06)**

7.2.8 Removal of signs: Any sign or sign structure not in conformance with the requirements of this Ordinance or otherwise permitted is subject to removal by the CEO. The CEO may immediately, without any notification, remove any sign placed on or over any public right-of-way or public property in violation of this article. Once such a sign is removed, the CEO shall make reasonable efforts to notify the owner of the sign that was removed. The owner shall be liable for any costs associated with the removal and storage of the sign. If the owner does not claim the sign within 30 days of notification, or within 30 days of removal and if the Officer is not able to contact the owner, then the sign shall be deemed to be abandoned and may be disposed of by the CEO. Neither notification nor storage are required for the removal of snipe or signs for which the owner cannot be identified.

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS: (Rev. 3/97)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
MAH & Residential/ Agricultural Districts:	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Dwellings; Home Occupations, Rest-Convalescent-Nursing Homes, Private Nursery Schools, Kindergartens, Child Care Centers, and Bed & Breakfast establishments:	4 sq. ft.	8'-12'	N/A	5'	20'	No	No
Public, Educational, Historical, Institutional uses: (also in Commercial and Industrial Districts)	4 sq. ft.	8'-12'	N/A	8'	20'	Yes	No
Temporary Real Estate Signs: (allowed in the R/A and MAF zones with conditions as noted in Section 7.2.1 d) **(within all other zones with conditions as noted in Section 7.2.1 d)**	4 sq. ft. 16 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	6' 8'	10' 20'	No	No
Temporary Contractors' / Development Signs: (allowed in all zones with conditions as noted in Section 7.2.1 e & f)	16 sq. ft. (any 1 sign) 32 sq. ft. (total signage)	N/A	N/A	8'	20'	No	No
Roadside Stands, Greenhouses, and Nurseries:	12 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	10'	15'	No	No
Cluster Development Project Identification Signs:	16 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No

Explanatory Notes:

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one free standing sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS: (continued)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
Professional/ Residential District:	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Businesses, Professional Offices, and Other Office Uses: (not in shopping centers)	(B)	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	No	No
Shopping Centers and similar Multiple-Use Developments: (comprised of four or more distinct operations under different proprietorship which make use of a common driveway and/or parking area)	(B)	20'	100'	30'	35'	Yes	Yes
Industrial and Office Park Identification Signs: (Not for individual buildings or uses)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Industrial and Office Buildings:	30 sq. ft.	8'-16'	25'	16'	35'	Yes	Yes
Retail and Service Operations: (permitted as a special exception in the Industrial District only)	2 sq. ft.	8'	25'	10'	20'	No	No

Explanatory Notes:

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one freestanding sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS (continued)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
General Commercial District:	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Businesses, Professional Offices, and Other Office Uses: (not in shopping centers)	(B)	N/A	N/A	15'	20'	Yes	Yes
Shopping Centers and similar Multiple-Use Developments: (comprised of four or more distinct operations under different proprietorship which make use of a common driveway and/or parking area)	(B)	20'	100'	30'	35'	Yes	Yes
Industrial and Office Park Identification Signs: (Not for individual buildings or uses)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Industrial and Office Buildings:	30 sq. ft.	8'-16'	25'	16'	35'	Yes	Yes
Retail and Service Operations: (permitted as a special exception in the Industrial District only)	2 sq. ft.	8'	25'	10'	20'	No	No

Explanatory Notes

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one freestanding sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center.

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS: (continued)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
Industrial District:	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Businesses, Professional Offices, and Other Office Uses: (not in shopping centers)	(B)	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	No	No
Shopping Centers and similar Multiple-Use Developments: (comprised of four or more distinct operations under different proprietorship which make use of a common driveway and/or parking area)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Industrial and Office Park Identification Signs: (Not for individual buildings or uses)	48 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No
Industrial and Office Buildings:	30 sq. ft.	8'-16'	25'	16'	35'	Yes	Yes
Retail and Service Operations: (permitted as a special exception in the Industrial District only)	2 sq. ft.	8'	25'	10'	20'	No	No

Explanatory Notes:

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one freestanding sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS: (continued)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
Commercial /Light Industry/Office District: (CLIO)	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Businesses, Professional Offices, and Other Office Uses: (not in shopping centers)	(B)	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No
Shopping Centers and similar Multiple-Use Developments: (comprised of four or more distinct operations under different proprietorship which make use of a common driveway and/or parking area)	(B)	20'	100'	30'	35'	Yes	Yes
Industrial and Office Park Identification Signs: (Not for individual buildings or uses)	48 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No
Industrial and Office Buildings:	30 sq. ft.	8'-16'	25'	16'	35'	Yes	No

Explanatory Notes:

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one freestanding sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center

TABLE 7.3: PERMITTED SIGNS: (continued)

		PROJECTING SIGNS:		FREE STANDING:		ILLUMINATION:	
Town Center District:	**Maximum Aggregate Area (A)**	**Height Min/Max**	**Minimum Feet to Curb**	**Maximum Height**	**Min. Feet to Lot Line**	**External Illum.**	**Internal Illum.**
Hotels and Motels:	12 sq. ft.	8'-12'	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No
Businesses, Professional Offices, and Other Office Uses: (not in shopping centers)	(B)	8'-12'	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No
Shopping Centers and similar Multiple-Use Developments: (comprised of four or more distinct operations under different proprietorship which make use of a common driveway and/or parking area)	(B)	20'	60'	25'	35'	Yes	No
All Other Uses Permitted in the Town Center Zoning District:	12'	8'-12'	N/A	10'	20'	Yes	No

Explanatory Notes:

A. With the exception of Note B, the maximum aggregate area is the sum of attached, projecting, and/or freestanding signs. In no case can all of the sign areas exceed the maximum aggregate area.

B. One square foot of a sign area is allowed for each linear foot of principal store frontage of each individual business. In addition, one freestanding sign of up to 100 square feet is allowed to identify the shopping center.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 4: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To add a new **Section 5.11 Day-Care Facilities** to the Stratham Zoning Ordinance to address the location of Day-Care and Childcare facilities with the Town of Stratham. The proposed ordinance will provide for certain requirements for the issuance of a special exception for the location and operation of a day-care facility within any residential zone and the Town Center. The ordinance also limits the size of any childcare operation based upon NH State licensing requirements and provisions. The amendment would read as follows:

5.11 Day-Care Facilities

Day-care facilities shall be allowed within all zones by Special Exception except within the CLIO zone where they shall be allowed by Conditional Use Permit.

Within any zone a Day-Care facility shall comply with all state regulations and unless otherwise noted the general requirements of Section 17.8.2 (Special Exceptions).

Where a Day-Care facility is located in any residential zone, any Special Exception granted by the ZBA shall comply with the additional requirements of this subsection.

State septic requirements and other state licensing requirements may provide additional limitations on staffing and care maximums beyond what the Town of Stratham may require in this subsection.

For Childcare facilities, the provisions and definitions provided for in NH RSA 170-E shall be followed in addition to the requirements provided for in this section.

5.11.1 **FAMILY CHILDCARE (Home Occupation):** the care of no more than 3 non-family members within the home and meets all the requirements of a home occupation as defined in Section 2.1.27 (Home Occupation). No additional requirements shall be needed for a Special Exception.

5.11.2 **FAMILY CHILDCARE HOME:** a state licensed day-care program operated in a home in which the provider resides.

a. Care provided for a maximum of 6 preschool children plus up to 3 children who are enrolled in a full-day school program *(The 6 children shall include any foster children residing in the home and all children related to the caregiver except children who are 10 years of age or older)*,

b. Minimum 2 acre lot,

c. No more than 3 non-family members may be employed within the home,

d. All staff parking and play areas shall be buffered from abutting residential properties in the side and rear by a fence or dense evergreen growth.

5.11.3 **FAMILY GROUP CHILDCARE HOME:** a state licensed day-care program operated in a home in which the provider resides.

a. Care provided for 7 to 12 preschool children plus up to 5 children enrolled in a full-day school program *(The 7 to 12 children shall include any foster children residing in the home and all children related to the caregiver except children who are 10 years of age or older)*,

b. Minimum 2 acre lot,

c. Drop-off and pick-up areas shall be internal to the site, no stopping, standing, stacking or parking of vehicles off-site shall be allowed,

d. All staff parking and play areas shall be buffered from abutting residential properties in the side and rear by a fence or dense evergreen growth,

e. The Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process may require additional setbacks and buffering to reduce any impacts on abutting residential properties.

5.11.4 **GROUP CHILDCARE CENTER:** a state licensed center-based day-care program that is not necessarily located with a residential activity.

a. The maximum number of individuals cared for shall be limited by State licensing requirements,

b. Within the R/A, MAH, PRE and TC zones the minimum lot size shall be 3 acres and the maximum number of children allowed shall not exceed 80, within all other zones only state licensing requirements and limits shall apply.

c. Drop-off and pick-up areas shall be internal to the site, no stopping, standing, stacking or parking of vehicles off-site shall be allowed,

d. All structures shall be setback from any lot line at least 75',

e. All staff parking and play areas shall be buffered from abutting residential properties in the side and rear by a fence or dense evergreen growth,

f. The Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process may require additional setbacks and buffering to reduce any impacts on abutting residential properties.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 5: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To add a new **Section 16.5 Historic Demolition Review** to require that prior to any demolition of any home, barn, or other structure, which is assumed to be over 50 years in age, be reviewed by the Heritage Commission prior to any issuance of a permit to demolish such structure. The new section would provide for an expedited review with an extended review period for structures within the town, which were found to be historic, or of significant importance to the heritage of the community. The amendment would read as follows:

16.5 Historic Demolition Review

16.5.1 Definitions: As used in this section, the following words or phrases shall have the meanings set forth below, except when the context in which they are used requires a different meaning:

Building: Building is defined as any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy.

Demolition Review Committee: A committee of the Stratham Heritage Commission comprised of three (3) members of the commission and two (2) alternates appointed by the chair of the commission. Any conflict of interest by a member shall be determined as set forth in NH RSA 673:14.

Demolition: The act of pulling down, destroying, removing, or razing a building or commencing the work of total or substantial destruction with the intent of completing the same.

16.5.2 Criteria.

Any building or part of a building in the Town of Stratham will fall under the terms of this article where:

a. The proposed demolition is greater than five hundred (500) square feet of gross floor area; and

b. The building(s) is assumed to have been constructed more than fifty (50) years before the date of application for demolition permit; and

c. The building is visible from the adjacent public right-of-way or public lands or is listed or is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or state or local historic registers.

16.5.3 Procedure.

When an application for a demolition permit, or a building permit involving demolition, or a site plan review involving demolition is made, or a formal written application is submitted to the Building Inspector or Code Enforcement Officer for a determination under this article, the Code Enforcement Officer will determine if the building, or section of the building, meets the above criteria. If it does, the Code Enforcement Officer shall:

a. Forward a copy of the application to the demolition review committee.

b. Within five business days of its receipt of a copy of the application, the committee shall issue a preliminary recommendation regarding the granting of a demolition permit. If the committee issues a recommendation in favor of the granting of such a permit, a demolition permit shall be issued. If the committee determines the building to be potentially significant, no permit shall be issued until a more thorough investigation is undertaken and a final written recommendation is provided by the committee to the Code Enforcement Officer. Investigation and recommendation shall be completed within 30 calendar days of the committee's receipt of a copy of the application.

c. During the maximum 30 calendar-day-period, the committee shall meet with the property owner and conduct such public hearings and investigations as it may determine to be necessary in the formulation of its written recommendation regarding the granting of such permit. The committee shall consider the following criteria in its deliberation:

i. The building or structure is of such interest or quality that it would meet national, state, or local criteria for designation as a historic, cultural, or architectural landmark.

ii. The building or structure is of such unusual or uncommon design, texture, or materials that it could not be reproduced or could be reproduced only with great difficulty and expense.

iii. The building or structure is of such architectural or historic interest that its removal would be to the detriment of the public interest.

iv. Retention of the building or structure would help preserve and protect a historic place or area of historic interest in the town.

16.5.4 Demolition Review Committee Responsibilities.

It is the responsibility of the Demolition Review Committee to:

a. Make a decision within five business days of receipt of the demolition application as to whether the building might be significant and preferably preserved within the standards and specifications provided above. If no decision is made within five business days, the application will be deemed to be approved and the permit may be issued.

b. Hold a meeting between the demolition review committee and the applicant (or applicant's representative) to discuss alternatives to demolition if the committee determines the building is significant and its loss potentially detrimental to the community.

16.5.5 Demolition.

a. If no alternatives to demolition have been identified and agreed to by the applicant after the meeting provided for in the preceding section, the applicant is free to proceed with demolition provided a permit is issued. (The Code Enforcement Officer / Building Inspector shall issue a permit if all other typical application requirements have been met) Prior to demolition, and if the applicant is in agreement, the demolition review committee shall photographically document the building. The committee shall also encourage the applicant to salvage significant architectural features.

b. Nothing in this article shall be construed to prevent immediate demolition where the public safety is at stake and the building has been determined by the Code Enforcement Officer to be a public hazard and demolition is the only viable recourse.

The Planning Board recommends this article by majority vote.

ARTICLE 6: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Stratham to adjust the boundaries of Map 2 Lot 30 to reflect corrected data and to add Map 2 Lot 26 to the Industrial Zone.



The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 7: – Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Stratham Planning Board?

To amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Stratham to add Map 2 Lots 25, 41, 42 and 43 to the Retirement Planned Community Zone.



The Planning Board recommends this article by majority vote.

ARTICLE 8: – By petition of James Cushman and 63 other registered voters of the Town of Stratham, are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance?

The petition is requesting the Town extend the General Commercial District on the eastern side of Portsmouth Avenue northward to the centerline of the intersection with Bunker Hill Avenue from its current Professional Residential District designation. The District would be 800 feet in depth or follow closely the rear boundaries of the parcels affected. Parcels affected include Map 9 Lots 10, 11, 12 and 13.



The Planning Board does not recommend this article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 9: – By petition of Jeffrey R. Wilson and 30 other registered voters of the Town of Stratham, are you in favor of changing the position of planning board member from an appointed to an elected position, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673:2, II (b) (I)?

Under this procedure for electing planning board members, the selectmen shall chose one selectman or administrative official of the town as an ex-officio member and the remaining planning board positions shall be filled at the next regular town election pursuant to RSA 669:17. Thereafter, a planning board member shall be elected for the term provided under RSA 673:5, II.

ARTICLE 10: – Upon written petition of Stella Scamman and not less than 2 percent of the legal voters of the Town of Stratham, "Are you in favor of decreasing the Board of Selectmen to three (3) members?"

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE STRATHAM MUNICIPAL CENTER, 10 BUNKER HILL AVENUE, STRATHAM, N.H.

ARTICLE 11: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000.00) for the following purposes: (i) the construction and equipping of new fire station and emergency management facilities, or portions thereof, on land previously acquired located next to the existing fire station, and (ii) related costs and expenses; and to authorize the Selectmen to act on behalf of the Town in connection with such activities; and to further authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000.00) of bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33), and to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, and regulate such bonds and/or notes and to determine the rates of interest thereon.
A ballot vote with a two thirds (2/3) majority in favor is required for passage. Polls must be open for a minimum of one (1) hour.

The Board of Selectmen recommends/does not recommend this Article. (At the time that the Town Report had gone to press, the Selectmen have not taken a position on this Article.)

ARTICLE 12: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Two Dollars and no cents ($176,292.00), which represents the unexpended earnings from January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006 on the invested bond proceeds, and which was transferred to the general fund on or about December 31, 2006 for the following purposes: (i) the construction and equipping of new fire station and emergency management facilities, or portions thereof, on land previously acquired located next to the existing fire station, and (ii) related costs and expenses; and to authorize the use in that amount of the December 31, 2006 fund balance for these purposes. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific purposes are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 13: – To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray general town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 14: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and no cents ($825,000.00) to implement the Capital Improvements Program for 2007 as presented in the Town Report and approved by the Planning Board. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific items are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 15: – By petition of Caroline Robinson and 204 other register voters of the Town of Stratham, to see if the Town will vote to go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change, which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future wellbeing of the people of Stratham.

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy;

2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Stratham encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 16: – By petition of Mary Jane Keane and 51 other registered voters of the Town of Stratham, to see if the Town will vote to adopt the following:

WHEREAS, Families First, a non-profit community health center in Portsmouth, NH, provided health care to 67 Stratham residents in the past year, many of whom were uninsured and had their care heavily subsidized by Families First, and;

WHEREAS, at least 30 Stratham residents attended Families First's parenting classes, parent support groups, or family programs, or received home visiting services, and;

WHEREAS, access to affordable health care reduces the burden on the Town of Stratham's welfare program and increases uninsured Stratham residents' ability to work and attend school, and;

WHEREAS, parenting and family programs are known to build resiliency in children, and to reduce the likelihood that children will be abused or neglected or engaged in risky teen behaviors,

THEREFORE, we, the petitioners, request that the Town of Stratham raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and no cents ($2,500.00) to help Families First continue to provide health care and family services to Stratham residents.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 17: – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Five Thousand Dollars and no cents ($205,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a new ambulance for the use of the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department, and to authorize the withdrawal Two Hundred Five Thousand Dollars and no cents ($205,000.00) from the Stratham Fire Department EMS Fund created for these purposes during the March 17, 2000 Annual Town Meeting. No funds from general taxation are to be used for this purpose.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 18: - To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable trust fund under RSA 31:19-a to be known as the "Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund" for the purpose of payment of termination benefits to town employees, and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this expendable trust fund for the purpose for which it was established.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.

ARTICLE 19: – To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand seven.

Selectmen of Stratham, NH

David Short

Martin Wool

Kirk Scamman

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

David Short

Martin Wool

Kirk Scamman

TOWN BUDGET

	2007 PROPOSED
Executive	$143,677
Election & Registration	$5,140
Financial Administration	$333,915
Legal Expenses	$45,000
Employee Benefits	$680,758
Planning & Zoning	$209,937
General Government Buildings	$114,740
Cemeteries	$43,000
Insurances	$72,292
Police	$799,178
Fire	$151,026
Emergency Management	$12,000
Emergency Dispatch Services	$65,300
Highways & Streets	$509,966
Street Lighting	$6,200
Solid Waste Management	$647,477
Pulbic Works Commission	$24,000
Animal Control	$1,000
Pest Control	$61,000
Public Service Agencies	$42,421
Direct Assistance	$12,000
Parks	$62,706
Recreation	$105,650
Library	$363,227
Patriotic Purposes	$1,500
Conservation Commission	$3,000
Heritage Commission	$6,325
Economic Development	$2,200
Interest On TAN's	$1,000
Interest on Long-Term Debt	$209,110
Total Appropriation	$4,734,745

Board of Selectmen:
David Short
Martin Wool
Kirk Scamman

Budget Advisory Committee:
David Canada
Garrett Dolan
Nathan Merrill
Robert O'Sullivan
Joyce Rowe
Travis Thompson

STRATHAM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM--PROJECT SUMMARY IN $000'S

AS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING BOARD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2007

TOWN PROJECT TITLE/DEPARTMENT:	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
General Govt.:						
Land Conservation Fund	0	15	15	15	15	15
Municipal Center Repairs/Improvements	50	25	25	25	25	25
Office Technologies Upgrade	10					
Computer Replacement Plan	5	5	5	5	5	5
Digital Tax Mapping Project	30	30				
Protection of Persons/Property:						
Fire Dept. Capital Reserve Fund	120	120	100	100	100	100
Radio Communications Capital Reserve Fund	25	25				
Public Safety Complex (debt payments)	250	250	250	250	250	250
Gifford Property (debt payments)	14	14	14	14	14	14
Public Works and Highways:						
Dump Truck w/plow		130		135		135
4wd pickup w/plow	41		40		42	
Bunker Hill & Portsmouth Ave. Signalization		525				
Winnicutt Rd. & Portsmouth Ave. Signalization			450			
Road Reconstruction Program	170	170	170	170	170	170
Cultural and Recreational Activities:						
Playing Field Improvements	60	100	250	250	250	250
Fire Tower Upkeep		12				
Muncipal Center Upgrades/Library Expansion	50	275	275	225	225	
Totals For Town Appropriations	825.0	1,696.0	1,594.0	1,189.0	1,096.0	964.0

STRATHAM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM--PROJECT SUMMARY IN $000'S
AS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING BOARD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2007
(continued)

SCHOOL PROJECT TITLE/DEPARTMENT	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Stratham Memorial School District:						
Current Bond Payments	305.002	275.622	194.252	382.574	0.000	0.000
Technology Infrastructure	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000	27.000
Depreciated Capital Items	120.000	120.000	120.000	120.000	120.000	120.000
Furniture, Fixtures, & Equipment	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000
Grounds Depreciation (paved surfaces)	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000	10.000
Totals Stratham School District Expend.	482.002	452.622	371.252	559.574	177.000	177.000
Exeter Region Cooperative School District:						
Total Current Non-Growth Capital Expenditures	1024.331	1,030.690	1042.552	1048.611	1053.457	1059.055
Total Growth Related Capital Expenditures	451.080	592.234	670.467	684.677	548.298	524.113
Totals Exeter Region Coop. School Expend.	1,475.411	1,622.924	1,713.019	1,733.288	1,601.755	1,583.168
TOTALS CIP FOR TOWN OF STRATHAM	2,782.413	3,771.546	3,678.271	3,481.862	2,874.755	2,724.168

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

EXPENSES:	2006 APPROPRIATION	2006 ACTUAL	2007 PROPOSED
Executive	$127,424	$126,673	$143,677
Election & Registration	$6,770	$6,965	$5,140
Financial Administration	$320,555	$305,090	$333,915
Legal Expenses	$30,000	$48,031	$45,000
Employee Benefits	$598,264	$580,321	$680,758
Planning & Zoning	$199,363	$190,161	$209,937
General Government Buildings	$116,042	$114,499	$114,740
Cemeteries	$38,950	$36,867	$43,000
Insurances	$66,308	$70,544	$72,292
Police	$774,899	$781,395	$799,178
Fire	$130,980	$116,919	$151,026
Emergency Management	$6,450	$12,687	$12,000
Emergency Dispatch Services	$57,000	$57,000	$65,300
Highways	$620,948	$542,725	$509,966
Street Lighting	$6,000	$5,974	$6,200
Solid Waste Management	$529,123	$547,216	$647,477
Water Commission	$2,000	$690	$24,000
Animal Control	$1,000	$300	$1,000
Pest Control	$51,000	$51,000	$61,000
Public Service Agencies	$39,745	$39,745	$42,421
Direct Assistance	$12,000	$7,509	$12,000
Parks	$64,575	$59,906	$62,706
Recreation	$60,100	$44,231	$105,650
Library	$349,893	$349,893	$363,227
Patriotic Purposes	$1,500	$1,388	$1,500
Conservation Commission	$3,000	$3,063	$3,000
Heritage Commission	$2,125	$219	$6,325
Economic Development	$2,491	$185	$2,200
Interest On TAN's	$15,000	$0	$1,000
Interest on Long-Term Debt	$174,375	$187,476	$209,110
Total Appropriations	$4,407,880	$4,288,672	$4,734,745
REVENUES:			
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	$40,000	$45,231	$47,000
Motor Vehicle Permits	$1,300,000	$1,382,937	$1,300,000
Business Licenses & Permits	$217,000	$369,865	$267,000
Cable TV Franchise Fee	$94,704	$94,704	$95,000
Excavation Tax	$0	$0	$100
Yield Tax	$396	$396	$1,500
Income From Departments	$147,000	$234,022	$175,222
Rent of Town Property	$23,300	$22,400	$23,500
Sale of Town Property	$22,300	$26,744	$7,000
Shared Revenue	$24,991	$41,748	$41,748
Highway Block Grant	$118,345	$118,345	$115,702
Rooms & Meals	$275,993	$275,993	$258,252
Police Grant	$12,000	$66,348	$6,800
Interest on Investments	$100,000	$185,632	$150,000
Reimbursements	$28,000	$16,294	$11,000
Trust & Agency Funds	$6,500	$0	$7,000
Total Revenues	$2,410,529	$2,880,659	$2,506,824

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATIONS	$1,382,936.66
MUNICIPAL AGENT FEES	$19,400.00
TITLE FEES	$3,182.00
U.C.C. FILINGS	$1,995.00
VITAL RECORDS	$2,604.00
DOG LICENSES	$6,981.50
DOG FINES	$1,145.00
DREDGE & FILL	$50.00
OTHER FILING FEES	$20.00
TOTAL COLLECTED	$1,418,314.16

REMITTED TO TREASURER	$1,418,314.16
ENDING CASH IN REGISTER	$220.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SHIRLEY S. DALEY
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES--		Levies of.....		
Beginning of Fiscal Year:	2006	2005	2004	2003
Property Taxes		$931,663.96	$0.00	$0.00
Land Use Change Taxes		$30,000.00		
Excavation Taxes		$0.00		
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR:				
Property Taxes	$19,800,971.00			
Land Use Change Taxes	$365,800.00			
Yield Taxes	$396.30			
OVERPAYMENTS:				
Overpayments This Fiscal Year	$0.00			
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	$11,477.98	$30,718.40		
TOTAL DEBITS:	$20,178,645.28	$992,382.36	$0.00	$0.00

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:				
Property Taxes	$19,047,398.47	$800,795.55		
Land Use Change Taxes	$145,500.00	$30,000.00		
Yield Taxes	$396.30	$0.00		
Interest	$11,477.98	$30,718.40		
Excavation Taxes		$0.00		
Converted to Liens (Principal only)		$130,437.00		
ABATEMENTS MADE:				
Property Taxes	$7,381.99	$431.41		
Land Use Change Taxes	$15,000.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	$0.00			
UNCOLLECTED TAXES--				
End of Fiscal Year: 2005				
Property Taxes	$746,190.54			
Land Use Change Taxes	$205,300.00			
Yield Taxes	$0.00			
This Year's Overpayment Returned	$0.00			
TOTAL CREDITS:	$20,178,645.28	$992,382.36	$0.00	$0.00

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

DEBITS

	Tax Liens on Acc't of Levies.....		
Balance of Unredeemed Liens:	2005	2004	2003
Beginning of Fiscal Year	$0.00	$46,986.06	$11,296.75
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	$137,522.67	$0.00	$0.00
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	$3,296.08	$3,132.71	$3,691.38
TOTAL DEBITS	$140,818.75	$50,118.77	$14,988.13

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:			
Redemptions	$68,967.23	$17,879.42	$11,296.75
Interest/Costs Collected	$3,296.08	$3,132.71	$3,691.38
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Liens Deeded To Town	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Balance of Unredeemed Liens: End of Fiscal Year	$68,555.44	$29,106.64	$0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	$140,818.75	$50,118.77	$14,988.13

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT 2006

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR		
2005 Property Tax & Interest		$19,057,738.88
2004 Property Tax & Interest		$821,484.18
Prior Year Tax Redemptions & Interest		$108,263.57
Tax Lien Receipt		$137,522.67
Current Use Land Change & Interest		$179,581.67
Yield Tax & Interest (Timber Cutting)		$396.30
	Subtotal	$20,304,987.27
RECEIVED FROM TOWN CLERK		
Motor Vehicle Permits		$1,383,306.16
Dog Licenses & Fines		$8,126.50
Filing and Other Fees		$27,201.00
Dredge & Fill Permit		$50.00
Excavation		$0.00
	Subtotal	$1,418,683.66
RECEIVED FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES		
N.H. Revenue Sharing Block Grant		$41,748.00
N.H. Highway Block Grant		$118,135.18
N.H. Rooms & Meals Tax		$275,992.64
Railroad Tax		$210.35
Police Grant		$66,348.08
FEMA Snow Removal Grant		$19,857.47
Emergency Management Reimbursement		$12,459.51
	Subtotal	$534,751.23
RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES		
Checking Account Interest		$10,311.24
Building Permits		$321,326.33
Transfer Station Permits		$2,300.00
Transfer Station Fees		$42,866.00
Planning Board Fees		$11,060.00
Board of Adjustment Fees		$1,770.00
Police Details & Other Services		$66,811.00
Rent of Town Property		$22,400.00
Sale of Town Property		$26,744.41
Sale of Cemetery Lots		$9,000.00
Grave Excavation Fees		$4,450.00
Cable TV Franchise		$94,704.46
Returned Check Fines		$550.00

Recycling Program		$4,276.07
Insurance Refund		$7,990.05
Reimbursement for Test Pits		$8,520.00
Reimbursement from Recreation Department		$19,063.00
Reimbursement for Building Review (formerly BOCA)		$20,737.93
Overpayments and Other Reimbursements		$33,643.61
	Subtotal	$708,524.10
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 2006		**$22,966,946.26**

FISCAL YEAR 2005 TRANSACTIONS	
Cash on Hand January 1, 2006	$1,411,432.89
Total Receipts for 2006	$22,966,946.26
Tax Anticipation Loan (TAN)	$0.00
TAN Pay Back & Interest	$0.00
Safety Complex Bond Principle & Interest	($419,375.00)
Investments	($17,800,000.00)
Investment Principal Income	$15,600,000.00
Investment Interest Income	$175,320.31
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	($21,207,146.92)
Tax Lien Purchase	($137,522.67)
BALANCE ON HAND DEC. 31, 2006	**$589,654.87**

OTHER ASSETS IN HANDS OF TREASURER	
Short Term Investments	$7,000,000.00
Payroll Account	$1,942.02
N.H. Public Deposit Investment Pool	$2,732.78
Safety Complex Bond	$3,180,488.72
Gifford Farm Bond	$30,465.53
Road & Other Bonds	$543,286.83
Income For Police Details	$39,247.67
Stratham Hill Park Revolving Fund	$7,770.95
Fire Department E.M.S. Fund	$241,018.50
Heritage Fund	$2,231.05
Recreation Revolving Fund	$7,429.05
TOTAL ALL OTHER ASSETS	**$11,056,613.10**

OUTSTANDING SHORT TERM NOTES

The Town has no outstanding Short Term Notes

SUMMARY OF SAFETY COMPLEX BONDED DEBT

Safety Complex General Obligation Bond: $5,000,000.00

Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31st	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Outstanding Debt Balance
2004		$104,270.83	$5,000,000.00
2005	$250,000.00	$175,625.00	$4,750,000.00
2006	$250,000.00	$169,375.00	$4,500,000.00
2007	$250,000.00	$163,125.00	$4,250,000.00
2008	$250,000.00	$156,875.00	$4,000,000.00
2009	$250,000.00	$150,312.50	$3,750,000.00
2010	$250,000.00	$143,125.00	$3,500,000.00
2011	$250,000.00	$135,312.50	$3,250,000.00
2012	$250,000.00	$126,875.00	$3,000,000.00
2013	$250,000.00	$117,812.50	$2,750,000.00
2014	$250,000.00	$108,437.50	$2,500,000.00
2015	$250,000.00	$99,062.50	$2,250,000.00
2016	$250,000.00	$89,375.00	$2,000,000.00
2017	$250,000.00	$79,375.00	$1,750,000.00
2018	$250,000.00	$69,062.50	$1,500,000.00
2019	$250,000.00	$58,437.50	$1,250,000.00
2020	$250,000.00	$47,812.50	$1,000,000.00
2021	$250,000.00	$37,187.50	$750,000.00
2022	$250,000.00	$26,562.50	$500,000.00
2023	$250,000.00	$15,937.50	$250,000.00
2024	$250,000.00	$5,312.50	$0.00

SAFETY COMPLEX BOND CHECKING ACCOUNT

Year 2006 Transactions

Cash on Hand January 1, 2006	$342,536.08
Checking Account Interest	$26,174.52
Investment Interest	$150,117.92
Matured Principal	$9,313,164.58
Investments	($7,100,000.00)
Paid Invoices	($951,504.38)
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2006	**$1,780,488.72**

SUMMARY OF GIFFORD HOUSE BONDED DEBT

Gifford House Obligation Bond: $140,000

Fiscal Year Ending 12/31	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Outstanding Debt Balance
2006	$14,000.00	$18,100.83	$126,000.00
2007	$14,000.00	$19,985.00	$112,000.00
2009	$14,000.00	$19,320.00	$98,000.00
2010	$14,000.00	$18,555.00	$84,000.00
2011	$14,000.00	$17,325.00	$56,000.00
2012	$14,000.00	$16,660.00	$42,000.00
2013	$14,000.00	$15,995.00	$28,000.00
2014	$14,000.00	$15,330.00	$14,000.00
2015	$14,000.00	$14,865.00	$0.00

GIFFORD HOUSE BOND CHECKING ACCOUNT

2006 Transactions

Opening Balance May 17, 2006	$140,000.00
Checking Account Interest	$315.31
Paid Invoices	($109,849.78)
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2006	**$30,465.53**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth F. Lanzillo
Town Treasurer

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
TOWN OF STRATHAM IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY
CERTIFICATE (2006)

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Kirk Scamman, Martin Wool, David Short, Selectmen

	Acres	Assessment
1. Valuation of land only:		
A. Current use (at c.u. value)	2,267.31	$375,523
B. Conservation	355.18	$79,349
C. Residential	4,500.91	$322,348,800
D. Commercial/Industrial	388.05	$36,669,900
E. Total of Taxable Land	7,511.45	$359,473,572
F. Tax Exempt & Non Taxable	(1,555.74)	($12,414,300)
2. Value of Buildings only:		
A. Residential		$575,062,318
B. Manufactured Housing		$4,014,600
C. Commercial/Industrial		$93,075,600
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement		$16,482
E. Total of Taxable Buildings		$672,169,000
F. Exempt & Non Taxable		($58,260,900)
3. Public Utilities:		
A. Gas		$13,567,500
B. Electric		$10,332,400
C. Water		$1,830,000
D. Total Utilities		$25,729,900
4. Valuation before Exemptions:		$1,057,372,472
5. Certain Disabled Veterans (1)		($207,300)
6. Modified Assessed Valuation of all Properties		$1,057,165,172
7. Blind Exemption (4)		($60,000)
8. Elderly Exemption (40)		($3,220,000)
9. Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		($3,280,000)
10. Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed		$1,053,885,172
11. Less the Value of Utilities		($25,729,900)
12. Net Valuation without Utilities on which State Education Tax is Computed		$1,028,155,272

TAX CREDITS:

Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty ($2,000.)	8	$16,000
Other war service credits ($500.):	332	$165,750
Total Number and Amount:	340	$181,750

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Taxes Assessed for the Tax Year 2006

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David Short, Kirk Scamman, Martin Wool, Selectmen

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:	
Executive	$127,424
Elections, Registration & Vital Statistics	$6,770
Financial Administration	$320,555
Legal Expenses	$30,000
Personnel Administration	$598,264
Planning and Zoning	$199,363
General Government Buildings	$116,042
Cemeteries	$38,950
Insurance	$66,308
PUBLIC SAFETY:	
Police	$774,899
Fire	$130,980
Emergency Management	$6,450
Emergency Communications	$57,000
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:	
Highway Department	$620,948
Street Lighting	$6,000
SANITATION:	
Solid Waste Collection	$529,123
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT	
Water Treatment, Conserv. Other	$2,000
HEALTH:	
Animal Control	$1,000
Pest Control	$51,000
Health Agencies & Hospitals	$39,745
WELFARE:	
Administration & Direct Assistance	$12,000
CULTURE AND RECREATION:	
Parks	$64,575
Library	$349,893
Patriotic purposes	$1,500
Recreation	$60,100
Conservation Commission	$3,000
Heritage Commission	$2,125
Economic Development	$2,491

DEBT SERVICE:		
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		$15,000
Interest -Long Term Bonds & Notes		$174,375
Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		$250,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
Capital Improvements Program		$482,567
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		$90,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:		$5,230,447

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES

TAXES:		
Yield Taxes		$396
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		$40,000
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES:		
Business Licenses and Permits		$94,704
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		$1,300,000
Building Permits		$190,000
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees		$27,000
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:		
Police Grant		$12,000
FROM STATE:		
Shared Revenues		$24,991
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		$275,993
Highway Block Grant		$118,135
Other		$210
CHARGES FOR SERVICES:		
Income from Departments		$147,000
Other Charges		$28,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:		
Sale of Municipal Property		$22,300
Interest on Investments		$100,000
Other		$23,300
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS:		
Trust and Agency Funds		$6,500
Special Revenue Funds		$140,000
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES:		$2,550,529
GENERAL FUND BALANCE:		
Unreserved Fund Balance	$1,179,777	
Less Voted from "Surplus"		$138,267
Less Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes		$291,510
Fund Balance - Retained	$750,000	
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS:		$2,980,306

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
2006 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

			Tax Rates
TOWN PORTION			
Appropriations	$5,230,447		
Less: Revenues	($2,980,306)		
Less: Shared Revenues	($10,571)		
Add: Overlay	$203,173		
Add: War Service Credits	$181,750		
Net Town Appropriation/Approved Town Tax Effort		$2,624,493	
Municipal Tax Rate			$2.48
SCHOOL PORTION			
Net Local School Budget	$8,237,460		
Regional School Apportionment	$9,314,837		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	($1,217,382)		
Less: State Education Taxes	($2,701,381)		
Net School(s) Appropriation/ Approved School Tax Effort		$13,633,534	
Local School Tax Rate			$12.94
State Education Tax Rate	$2.52		
Times the Equalized Valuation (without utilities)	$1,074,107,560		
State Education Tax		$2,701,381	
Divided by the Local Assessed Valuation (without utilities)	$1,028,155,272		
Localized State Education Tax Rate			$2.63
COUNTY PORTION			
Due to County	$1,024,004		
Less: Shared Revenues	($6,186)		
Net County Appropriation/Approved County Tax Effort		$1,017,818	
County Tax Rate			$0.97
Combined Tax Rate			$19.02
Total Property Taxes Assessed		$19,977,226	
Less: War Service Credits		($181,750)	
Total Property Tax Commitment		$19,795,476	

PROOF OF RATE

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	$1,028,155,272	$2.63	$2,701,381
All Other Taxes	$1,053,885,172	$16.39	$17,275,845
			$19,977,226

EXPENDITURES

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Payroll	$176,014.00
Training	$305.00
Substance Abuse Testing	$523.00
Meals	$809.00
Uniforms	$3,809.00
Asphalt	$211,743.00
Rented Equipment	$7,561.00
Culvert Pipe	$526.00
New Equipment & Tools	$4,613.00
Road Paint	$5,750.00
Guard Rails	$0.00
Tires, Repairs, Etc.	$22,677.00
Salt	$66,192.00
Sand and Gravel	$4,926.00
Telephone	$2,645.00
Electricity	$6,962.00
Gas & Oil	$17,322.00
Heat	$5,346.00
Building Maintenance	$4,061.00
Supplies	$943.00
TOTAL	$542,727.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Payroll	$484,106.00
Police Part Time	$57,133.00
Special Detail	$67,544.00
Police payroll - Secretary	$35,822.00
Police payroll - Prosecutor	$32,869.00
Office supplies - Legal	$2,408.00
Office Supplies	$3,666.00
New Equipment	$3,001.00
Prosecutors Expenses	$440.00
Uniforms	$6,914.00
Technical Support	$8,545.00
Cruiser Lease	$35,911.00
Insurance Pay-out/Crusier Damages	$4,564.00
Gas and Oil	$22,805.00
Repairs	$8,376.00
Miscellaneous	$128.00
Community Service Program	$95.00
Training	$4,569.00
Special Response Team	$2,500.00
TOTAL	$781,396.00

EXPENDITURES (cont.)

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Payroll	$15,575.00
Solid Waste Processing	$449,579.00
Removal of Scrap	$1,472.00
Landfill Closure Annual	$11,506.00
Materials and Supplies	$1,473.00
Hazardous Waste Collection	$3,117.00
Transfer Station	$64,165.00
Electricity	$329.00
TOTAL	$547,216.00

PARK

Payroll	$45,695.00
Supplies	$522.00
Ground Maintenance	$5,130.00
Telephone	$936.00
Building Maintenance	$2,079.00
Equipment Maintenance	$1,534.00
Vehicle Maintenance	$970.00
New Equipment	$64.00
Electricity	$2,976.00
TOTAL	$59,906.00

CEMETERIES

Payroll	$16,701.00
Ground Maintenance (& Road Repairs)	$9,380.00
Excavation	$1,025.00
Equipment Maintenance	$1,131.00
New Equipment	$302.00
Facility Improvements	$125.00
Supplies	$1,003.00
Transfer to Trust Funds	$7,200.00
TOTAL	$36,867.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2006

Title of Appropriations	Appropriation	Receipts/ Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdrafts
Executive	$127,424	$94,704	$222,128	$126,673	$95,455	
Elections & Registrations	$6,770	$0	$6,770	$6,965		($195)
Financial Administration	$320,555	$1,802,274	$2,122,829	$305,090	$1,817,739	
Legal Expenses	$30,000	$0	$30,000	$48,031		($18,031)
Employee Benefits	$598,264	$0	$598,264	$580,321	$17,943	
Planning and Zoning	$199,363	$363,839	$563,202	$190,161	$373,041	
General Government Buildings	$116,042	$40,850	$156,892	$114,499	$42,393	
Cemeteries	$38,950	$13,450	$52,400	$36,867	$15,533	
Insurances	$66,308	$11,189	$77,497	$70,544	$6,953	
Police Department	$774,899	$133,159	$908,058	$781,395	$126,663	
Fire Department	$130,980	$0	$130,980	$116,919	$14,061	
Emergency Management	$6,450	$12,460	$18,910	$12,687	$6,223	
Emergency Dispatch Services	$57,000	$0	$57,000	$57,000	$0	
Highway Department	$620,948	$138,203	$759,151	$542,725	$216,426	
Street Lighting	$6,000	$0	$6,000	$5,974	$26	
Waste Disposal	$529,123	$50,077	$579,200	$547,216	$31,984	
Public Works Commission	$2,000	$0	$2,000	$690	$1,310	
Animal Control	$1,000	$8,127	$9,127	$300	$8,827	
Pest Control	$51,000	$0	$51,000	$51,000	$0	
Public Service Agencies	$39,745	$0	$39,745	$39,745	$0	
Direct Assistance	$12,000	$0	$12,000	$7,509	$4,491	
Park	$64,575	$0	$64,575	$59,906	$4,669	
Recreation	$60,100	$19,038	$79,138	$44,231	$34,907	
Library	$349,893	$0	$349,893	$349,893	$0	
Patriotic Purposes	$1,500	$0	$1,500	$1,388	$112	
Conservation Commission	$3,000	$0	$3,000	$3,063		($63)
Heritage Commission	$2,125	$0	$2,125	$219	$1,906	
Economic Development Com.	$2,491	$0	$2,491	$185	$2,306	
Interest on TAN's	$15,000	$10,862	$25,862	$0	$25,862	
Interest on Long Term Debt	$174,375	$175,320	$349,695	$187,476	$162,219	
TOTALS	$4,407,880	$2,873,552	$7,281,432	$4,288,672	$3,011,049	($18,289)

YEARLY EARNINGS FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES - 2006

Aither, Jaye	$35,821.60	Izzo, Robert	$50.00
Andolina, Donald	$332.16	Jackson, Robert E	$5,690.91
Bakie, Peter G.	$417.36	Keane, Michael	$100.00
Barker, Tara	$9,500.01	Keane, Nancy	$387.50
Barnes, Terry W.	$49,091.82	Kemp, Valerie A.	$38,464.80
Beaudoin, Linda A.	$34,250.91	Kimball, Lesley	$57,662.82
Brothers, Timothy	$100.00	Krebs, Norman	$550.00
Buchanan, Anne E.	$27,189.73	Lanzillo, Kenneth F.	$3,000.00
Call, James C.	$56,629.91	Larrabee, Matthew E.	$660.38
Charbonneau, Joyce	$27,563.95	Law, Charles	$43,050.60
Cook, Robert	$38,097.52	Law, Robert	$375.00
Copeland, Andra	$437.50	Lenharth, Tara	$100.00
Copeland, Timothy D	$675.00	Lenharth, William	$212.50
Corrow, Norma	$32,344.99	Lewy, Andrea	$57,998.43
Crosby, Bryan	$212.50	Littlefield, William D	$3,086.72
Cushman, Robert	$1,796.75	Luft, Karola	$2,824.00
Curcio, Ronald P.	$12,059.58	MacCallum, Marcia	$16,595.97
Daley, Michael J.	$74,811.33	Malgeri, George	$44,848.68
Daley, Shirley S.	$54,180.91	Marchio, Joseph F.	$36,300.00
Danko, Phyllis L.	$34,303.56	Marin, Francisco	$525.00
Dardani, John	$50.00	Marin, Gabriela	$275.00
Deblois, Charles	$1,938.00	Mason, Peter	$337.50
Deschaine, Paul R.	$79,419.07	McCleary, Cynthia S	$1,200.00
Devonshire, James	$150.00	McLaughlin, Matthew T	$276.11
DiBartolomeo, Jeffrey	$1,220.22	Noyes, Daniel	$37.50
Dold, Kelley	$150.00	O'Hara, Kristin	$225.00
Donohue, Melinda	$31,491.70	O'Neil, Kevin B	$1,194.48
Downing, Joseph	$116.55	Palfrey, Deborah	$262.50
Downing, Nancy R.	$1,683.40	Parker, Beverly A	$1,513.56
Durant Jr., Hollis A.	$250.00	Perkins, David	$42,729.85
Dziama, Pamela C.	$4,270.97	Perite, Lorraine	$4,945.52
Early, W. Michael	$2,091.96	Pierce, David	$94,114.71
Emanuel, David	$1,293.75	Powers, Christine	$2,080.80
Emanuel, Maria	$300.00	Raspuzzi, Louis	$1,125.00
Emerson, John R.	$54,852.19	Robeck, Dale	$848.00
Federico, Bruno	$100.00	Ryan, Karen	$3,465.00
Flagg, Harold E.	$456.25	Ryden, Patricia A.	$31,901.76
Flagg, Katherine	$968.75	Sablock, Alexis	$456.25
Gallant, Jeanine	$5,678.24	Sawyer, June	$243.75
Gendron, Richard A.	$56,762.73	Scamman, Kirk	$3,068.75
Gilbert, David L.	$264.00	Short, David J	$3,025.00
Gobbi, Michael A.	$1,833.58	Smigielski, Mark	$96.00
Goff, Shanon	$47,486.16	Standen, Scott	$250.00
Grassie, Charles W	$51,369.75	Stevens, Russell	$48,717.84
Gratton, Kimberly	$725.67	Streelman, Janice	$27,403.37
Gratton, Rachel	$343.77	Walmsley, Shawn M.	$49,791.58
Greeley, Michael	$832.00	Walsh, Kevin	$656.64
Grott, Reid	$252.36	Williams, Alan	$48,605.48
Hall, Derrick	$100.00	Wood, Elizabeth	$4,032.87
Hart, William	$32,868.79	Wood, Richard	$62,699.56
Hutton, Fred A. Jr.	$57,768.83	Wool, Martin	$4,455.18

FINANCIAL REPORT
GENERAL FUND

Revenues and expenditures for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006

A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual	
1. Revenue from Taxes	
a. Property taxes	$19,946,337
b. Land Use Change Tax	$179,582
c. Timber (Yield) Taxes	$396
d. Interest & penalties on delinquent taxes	$41,149
e. Other taxes (excavation tax)	$0
f. Taxes bought by Town	$137,523
g. TOTAL	$20,304,987
2. Revenues from licenses, permits, and fees	
a. Motor vehicle permits and Agent fees	$1,382,937
b. Building permits	$321,326
c. Other licenses, permits, and fees	$35,378
d. TOTAL	$1,739,640
3. Revenues from Federal Government	
a. Other Fed Grants (Police)	$66,348
b. TOTAL	$66,348
4. Revenues from State of New Hampshire	
a. Shared revenue block grant	$41,748
b. Meals & rooms distribution	$275,992
c. Highway block grant	$118,135
d. Flood Reimbursement	$16,801
e. Other grants	$1,230,052
f. TOTAL	$1,682,728
5. Revenues from charges for service	
a. Income from departments	$132,213
b. Garbage-refuse charges	$45,131
c. Other Charges	$99,154
d. TOTAL	$276,498
6. Revenues from miscellaneous sources	
a. Sale of municipal property	$54,194
b. Interest on investments	$185,632
c. Rents of property	$22,400
d. Insurance dividends and reimbursements	$42,847
e. Contributions and donations	$25
f. Other misc. sources not otherwise class.	$550
g. TOTAL	$305,648

7. Interfund operating transfers in	
a. Tranfers from special revenue fund	$0
b. Other Investments	
b. Transfers from capital reserve funds	$0
c. Transfers from trust and agency funds	$0
d. TOTALS	$0
8. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES	$24,375,850
9. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (beginning of year)	$1,380,948
9. GRAND TOTAL	$25,756,798
B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual	
1. General Government	
a. Executive	$126,673
b. Election, registration and vital statistics	$6,965
c. Financial administration	$285,357
d. Legal expenses	$48,031
e. Personnel administration	$580,321
f. Planning & zoning	$190,161
g. General government building	$114,499
h. Cemeteries	$36,867
i. Insurance not otherwise allocated	$70,544
j. Other general government	$240,902
k. TOTAL	$1,700,320
2. Public Safety	
a. Police	$781,395
b. Fire	$116,919
c. Emergency management	$12,687
d. Other (communications)	$72,012
e. TOTAL	$983,013
3. Highways and Streets	
a. Highways and Streets	$542,725
b. Street lighting	$5,974
c. TOTAL	$548,699
4. Sanitation	
a. Solid waste disposal	$547,216
b. TOTAL	$547,216
5. Water Distribution & Treatment	
a. Other (Public Works Commission)	$690
b. TOTAL	$690

6. Health	
a. Pest control	$51,000
b. Health agencies and hospitals	$39,745
c. Animal control	$300
d. TOTAL	$91,045
6. Welfare	
a. Direct assistance	$7,509
b. TOTAL	$7,509
7. Culture and recreation	
a. Parks	$59,906
b. Recreation	$44,231
c. Library	$349,893
d. Patriotic purposes	$1,388
e. TOTAL	$455,418
8. Economic & Heritage Development	
a. Conservation Commission	$3,063
b. Economic Development	$185
c. Heritage Commission	$219
d. TOTAL	$3,467
9. Debt Service	
a. Princip. On Long Term Bonds PSC	$250,000
a. Interest on tax anticipation notes	$0
b. Long Term Debt Interest	$187,476
c. TOTAL	$437,476
10. Capital outlay	
a. Land and improvements	$0
b. Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	$118,526
c. Buildings	$119,355
b. Improvements other than buildings	$52,459
c. TOTAL	$290,340
11. Interfund operating transfers out	
a. Transfers to capital reserve funds	$90,000
b. Operating Transfers out	$6,951
c. Investments Out	$0
d. LUCT to Trustees	$160,500
d. TOTAL	$257,451
12. Payments to other governments	
a. Taxes assessed for county	$1,024,004
b. Taxes assessed for school districts	$17,552,297
c. Payments to other governments	$4,798
d. TOTAL	$18,581,099
13. TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$23,903,743
14. TOTAL FUND EQUITY (end of year)	$1,853,055
15. GRAND TOTAL	$25,756,798

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

A. ASSETS

1. Current assets	Beginning of year	End of year
a. Cash and equivalents	$1,416,546	$585,237
b. Investments	$6,300,000	$8,500,000
c. Taxes receivable	$961,664	$951,491
d. Tax liens receivable	$58,283	$97,662
e. Tax deeded property	$18,300	$18,300
f. TOTAL ASSETS	$8,754,793	$10,152,690

B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

1. Current liabilities		
a. Due to School districts	$7,373,845	$8,299,635
b. Accounts Payable	$0	$0
c. Total Liabilities	$7,373,845	$8,299,635
2. Fund equity		
a. Reserve for continuing appropriations	$201,171	$115,130
b. Reserve appropriations voted from surplus	$0	
c. Unreserved fund bal.	$1,179,777	$1,737,925
d. TOTAL FUND EQUITY	$1,380,948	$1,853,055
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	$8,754,793	$10,152,690

A. RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

1. School district liability beginning year	$7,373,845
2. Add School assessment for current year	$16,334,915
3. TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR	$23,708,760
4. SUBTRACT payments made to school	$15,409,125
5. School district liability at end of year	$8,299,635

B. RECONCILIATION OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

1. Short term (TANS) beginning of year	$0
2. Add: New issues during current year	$0
3. Subtract: Issues retired during current year	$0
4. Short term (TANS) outstanding end of year	$0

C. ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS WORKSHEET

	Current Year	Prior Year
1. Overlay/Allowance for abatements	203,173	$110,969
2. Subtract: Abatements made	($22,382)	($431)
3. Excess of estimate	$180,791	$110,538

D. TAXES/LIENS RECEIVABLE WORKSHEET

	Taxes	Liens
1. Uncollected, end of year	$951,491	$97,662
2. Subtract: Overlay carried forward	($180,791)	($110,538)
3. Estimated Receivable, end of year	$770,700	$0

STRATHAM TRUST FUNDS 2006

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF FUND	BAL/BEG	NEW FUNDS	CAP/GAIN	WITHDRAWN	BAL/END	BAL/BEG	INCOME	EXPENDED	BAL/END	GRAND TOTAL Principal/Income
CEMETERY FUNDS:		199,564.15	7,200.00	0.00	0.00	206,764.15	92,836.49	8,228.85	7,500.00	93,565.34	300,329.49
2006	BARKER		800.00			800.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	DUFFEY		400.00			400.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	GALLAGHER		1,600.00			1,600.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	LABONTE		1,200.00			1,200.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	MILLER		1,600.00			1,600.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	NELSON		800.00			800.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	SIMMONS, M		400.00			400.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
2006	SIMMONS, N		400.00			400.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
	TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS	199,564.15	7,200.00	0.00	0.00	206,764.15	92,836.49	8,228.85	7,500.00	93,565.34	300,329.49
LIBARY FUNDS:											
VARIOUS		81,701.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	81,701.33	4,340.84	3,533.61	3,500.00	4,374.45	86,075.78
STRATHAM HILL PARK:											
VARIOUS		17,814.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,814.30	17,340.89	715.35	0.00	18,056.24	35,870.54
HORACE HILL FUND											
1932		7.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.12	177.71	1.85	0.00	179.56	186.68
STRATHAM HILL PK ASSOCIATION											
1966		59,615.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	59,615.29	16,109.88	2,981.63	0.00	19,091.51	78,706.80
CAPITAL RESERVES & OTHER TRUSTS											
1988	LAND CONSERVATION FUND	365,972.51	160,500.00	0.00	124,003.50	402,469.01	6,742.05	13,400.65	18,115.61	2,027.09	404,496.10
1998	CAPITAL RESERVE FIRE DEPT	61,400.00	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	141,400.00	348.86	2,317.88	0.00	2,666.74	144,066.74
2001	RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	43,085.81	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	53,085.81	1,250.96	740.21	0.00	1,991.17	55,076.98
1987	BARKER 4-H SCHOLARSHIP	4,002.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,002.00	2,386.75	290.43	250.00	2,427.18	6,429.18
1989	SCAMMAN/PARK TRUST	975.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	975.00	178.90	42.98	0.00	221.88	1,196.88
1989	SCAMMAN SCHOLARSHIP	3,663.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,663.00	1,182.61	230.09	0.00	1,412.70	5,075.70
1997	WIN. GRANGE EDUC FUND	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,500.00	901.48	25.66	0.00	927.14	6,427.14
2003	DEBBIE GREENBURG TRUST	4,407.22	250.00	0.00	0.00	4,657.22	14.85	209.97	0.00	224.82	4,882.04
TOTAL ALL FUNDS:		847,707.73	257,950.00	0.00	124,003.50	981,654.23	143,812.27	32,719.16	29,365.61	147,165.82	1,128,820.05

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS:

DIANE MORGERA, CHAIR: JOYCE ROWE, BRUCE SCAMMAN

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Cemetery Committee is pleased to report on the following:

The Cemetery Regulations, dated May 16, 2005 have been updated and approved by the Selectmen on February 5, 2007. In general, the update includes:

a. A restriction on the planting of trees and shrubs,
b. Restrictions on size and location of gardens, and
c. Other minor clarifications.

Our new computer program for the cemeteries is operational and includes complete data input for the Maple Lane Cemetery. As time permits, we will extend the program to include other Town cemeteries.

Three large trees in failing condition located in Harmony Hill Cemetery behind the Church were removed. The removal company had to use a large derrick to prevent the fallowing trees from damaging head stones. In addition, a large tree located in the Old Cemetery was removed.

We contracted to upright head stones that were badly leaning in the Harmony Hill Cemetery. This is an ongoing process. We plan to continue the process at Greenwood Cemetery in 2007.

The Committee has agreed to set aside a section of Maple Lane Cemetery for the burial of cremations only. Each lot will be three feet square and allow burial of several cremations. This will save significant cemetery space.

As noted in the Cemetery Reports for the last several years, we need to take action to procure more cemetery property. Considering the growth rate of the Town and the annual sale of cemetery lots, we will be running out of cemetery space in the next 20 to 25 years. Cemetery land acquisition has been listed in the Capital Improvement Program for 2007 at a cost of $175,000.00. However, we are taking a year to investigate other options.

The present cost of a cemetery lot is $500.00, which includes the following:

Registration with the Register of Deeds	$ 12.00
Sale of Town Property	$ 88.00
Perpetual Care	$400.00

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Lanzillo, Chair
Robert Cushman
Brenda Mason

FIRE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

Last year, voters at Town Meeting agreed to split the money in the public safety complex bond into two funds--one fund to build the police station and the other to be held for a future fire station/Emergency Operations Center project. The police station is nearing completion and the Building Committee is ready to proceed with the fire station.

Over the last year, we have worked with our architect, Michael Keane, to refine the scope of the building. We asked for bids from three contractors. We have chosen to work with a local developer, Mark Stevens, to bring this proposal forward. As we stated at the meeting last March, the building will cost more than the $2.2 million left in the bond. Therefore, we are asking for up to $2.6 million in additional funds. The Committee pledges to work diligently to bring that number down significantly by March 16th.

The proposed building is of sturdy, long-lasting construction, as befits a public building. Environmental and operational safeguards have been incorporated into the structure. Mr. Stevens is donating his services and working with his subcontractors, the architect, and the S.V.F.D. to get the best possible pricing for this project. The Committee sincerely believes this building is a "good deal" for the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Cushman
Chair

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department responded to and provided services for over 10,000 calls throughout the year 2006. As the Town of Stratham continues to be a leading residential growth area in New Hampshire, our response to crime must stay in pace. Throughout this past year, traffic offenses remained steady in comparison to 2005. Total calls for service that our department handled decreased slightly from the previous year, however, juvenile offenses and domestic crimes were on the rise, requiring more sensitive investigation. Additionally, animal control calls for service continue to be problematic, with an 11% increase. These calls garner valuable police service time, which could be better utilized. The largest part of our calls for service continue to be from residential homes and neighborhoods with a fewer amount from the business area.

We were fortunate to have three of our officers receive advanced tactical training this year through the Seacoast Emergency Response Team. As with any community, response training concerning violent acts is a necessity and further enhances our capability to protect our schools and large population-based commercial areas. The two bank robberies in Stratham were a greater reminder that we are not exempt from violent crime, much like the rest of the state. Our officers go through the needed training that not only provides better police service, but enhances the Town's liability protection. Officers participate in the mandatory training as set by the State and Federal government that are required to maintain State certification and grant funding. In 2006, all officers completed the federally required Incident Command Training.

The new police headquarters building at 76 Portsmouth Avenue will be in its final stages of completion during this year's Town Meeting. The public is, as always, invited to stop by our new facility, and we look forward to greeting all of you for the open house upon taking occupancy. I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for their steadfast commitment to public safety. The tireless effort put forth concerning our policing capabilities and the thorough leadership with the new headquarters building is sincerely appreciated. I thank the Stratham community and the business leaders of Stratham for their continued support over the past year. It is this support that helps our department provide the highest quality of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Michael J. Daley
Lieutenant Richard A. Wood

STRATHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2006, the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department responded to a total of 583 emergency response calls, resulting in a 19% increase in 911 emergencies from 2005. The single largest "type of call" increase was fire department service calls, due in part to the May 14th and 15th flood, where the SVFD responded to 52 calls in 48 hours.

As Fire Chief, it is my honor and privilege to work side-by-side with the men and women of the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary. Their talents, dedication to duty, compassion, and commitment provide the utmost quality of service to our community. These volunteers are incredibly civic-minded, donating their time, money, and effort to help their neighbors and community when in need.

The SVFD continues to be an all-volunteer department with no one receiving compensation for emergency calls, training, certification, maintenance, clothing allowance, fuel, or administrative functions to the department. In addition, these same members volunteer to raise additional funding with the Stratham Fair as well as administering ambulance billing documentation.

This year we are proposing that a new ambulance, complete with necessary emergency and life-saving equipment, be purchased with funds from the "EMS billing" account. Through our efforts, we have collected from insurance companies, who provide emergency medical coverage to its customers, the revenues necessary to buy a new ambulance without additional funding. We are requesting that $195,000.00 be made available from the EMS billing account, which has $240,177.95 available as of 12/31/06. This new ambulance will replace our current Ambulance 2 that has been in service since 1993. Each year the fire department submits an equipment replacement planning document to the Town that identifies a long-range replacement schedule for all fire department apparatus, along with a funding plan that includes the Fire Department portion of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) plus revenues generated from the Stratham Fair and ambulance billing.

The Building Committee, made up of fire and non-fire department individuals, has worked very hard over the past few years to design a new fire station. Many were involved in the decision-making process, but we feel that we have a building proposal that will provide reasonable improvements for a busy volunteer fire company that provides a tradition of professional fire prevention, medical response, fire control, and public education while maintaining a strong sense of community.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Law
Fire Chief

Stratham Volunteer Fire Department
2006 Emergency Responses

Type of Call	2004 Number of Calls	2005 Number of Calls	2006 Number of Calls	% Increase from 2005
Medical Aid	229	224	276	
Service Calls	25	31	79	
Mutual Aid to Another Community	28	44	39	
Fire Alarm	51	75	69	
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	11	9	11	
Building Fires	10	14	15	
Brush/Forestry Fires	15	22	25	
Auto Fires	7	4	5	
Auto Accidents	64	58	53	
Hazardous Materials	3	9	11	
TOTALS	**443**	**490**	**583**	**+ 19%**

2006 Ambulance Recovered Funds	
Gross Amount Recovered in 2006	$ 55,497.23
Interest Earned	$ 6,998.55
Total Gross w/ Interest Earned	$ 62,495.78
2006 Expenses Paid from Funds	
Total Expenses	$ 0
Total Net Funds for FY 2006	$ 62,495.78
Total Fund Balance as of 12/31/06	$240,177.95

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has successfully completed a busy year. 2006 started with a series of drills and a graded exercise with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regarding the Seabrook Station. Stratham performed well, and the experienced staff continues to offer recommendations to the State to improve the Town's radiological response plan, its directives, and upgrades to the Town's facility.

The OEM has worked with other Town department heads and the Rockingham Planning Commission to prepare an all hazards plan for the Town. The plan is still in the draft stage and the committee is actively collecting information and data. The intent of this particular plan is to identify hazards, both natural and man-made, and to develop mitigation options to minimize or neutralize these potential threats to the community.

Director David Emanuel attended a 40-hour FEMA workshop sponsored by the Structural Engineers of New Hampshire on pre- and post-disaster planning, and on safety evaluations of buildings at the New Hampshire Fire Academy. He also gained valuable incident command experience while serving on a NH state wildfire crew dispatched to a federally managed wildfire in the Apalachicola National Forest near Tallahassee, Florida. Deputy Directors Kathy Flagg and Tim Copeland assisted with training sessions and meetings and performed monthly tasks, such as equipment inventory. Deputy Director Flagg has also been intimately involved with the Seacoast regional response plan for vaccinating the population in the event of a pandemic emergency. She has represented Stratham as the multi-town group develops an operational action plan of preparedness and coordination in the event of a regional pandemic event.

The Emergency Management staff continued to work with the Fire Department on the proposed new fire station along with the Building Committee. The OEM respectfully requests the residents of Stratham support the proposed bond article that will allocate additional funding necessary to complete the project in a timely manner and in its entirety. This project will provide a new home to the OEM, allowing us to pursue our goal of improving emergency operations and capabilities for the Town. We thank the residents for their understanding, funding, and vision to plan and construct this critical infrastructure for the Town.

Preparedness is an individual responsibility, which starts in each of our own homes with our own families. We request that residents prepare themselves by keeping adequate emergency supplies and stock at home and by reviewing the annual Seabrook calendar of emergency information. FEMA maintains a web site at http://www.fema.gov/plan/index.shtm, which can aid you in preparedness for various emergencies.

Residents interested becoming a resource to the Stratham Office of Emergency Management should contact us through the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

David F. Emanuel, Director

PLANNING BOARD / TOWN PLANNER

Stratham seems to be the place to grow your business with the expected starts of a new Nissan facility, a major expansion for Lindt & Sprungli currently underway at our industrial park, and the new CVS Drug Store. You can find local companies growing by leaps and bounds.

This year the Board worked with a special committee to look into ways to redevelop the current Stratham Community Technical College, which is moving its operations to the Pease Trade Port. The special committee, which was comprised of a diverse cross-section of business people and residents from our community, spent many long evenings discussing diverse ideas on how the former school could best be reused and what would provide the highest value and best use for the Town.

Our planning staff has been busy working on many new and exciting projects this year as well. We are currently working other Town departments, with the assistance of the Rockingham Planning Commission, on a new Hazards Mitigation Plan, which identifies hazard areas within the community and will help in our receiving grants to mitigate the hazards or assist in providing safety strategies for preventing natural or man-made disasters.

Providing map preparation support throughout the year to the A*d Hoc* Conservation Bond Subcommittee and Conservation Commission has helped in gaining support for the protection of our conservation land efforts. We have been working with committees and the Town's assessor to complete a full inventory of our conservation parcels within the Town, which will assist in understanding the value of our lands and environmentally sensitive areas.

Many of you may have noticed the construction around Market Basket this past summer. This is part of the development of a fire protection district, which hopefully will become a reality within our commercial district. This district will provide a greater level of fire protection and possibly lower insurance costs for businesses along Portsmouth Avenue in Stratham.

We are pleased to announce that our Town Planner has finally earned the designation of Master Roads Scholar. This is a designation awarded by the UNH Technology Transfer Center for completion of training in the public works field.

Whether it be GIS/GPS mapping, digital photography for documentation purposes, working with developers or answering citizens' questions, your Planning Board and our planning staff are always working to address the needs and concerns of our community.

We hope that you will take some time through the coming months and stop by the planning offices and see what is happening in Stratham. We have a lot going on, and welcome your input and advice. Drop us an email at strathamplanner@comcast.net to let us know what you think.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Grassie
Town Planner

Janet Johnson
Planning Board Chair

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR

Industrial (IND) - The H.D. Smith Warehouse, a 100,000 square foot building, is completed and is in operation. The Lindt & Sprungli USA chocolate factory off Marin Way is doubling in size by adding two new buildings, approximately 100,000 and 200,000 square feet respectively. There is a connector bridge between the two buildings, approximately 354 square feet long, to house a conveyer belt system. Construction started in November 2006.

Commercial District (GCM) - The new CVS building will be open this spring. The Nissan car dealership should be under construction soon. The pipe you see on Portsmouth Avenue is for a new fire line for the businesses in that area. The new police station on Portsmouth Avenue hopefully will be open for a site walk on Election Day. It will be finished sometime in March. The Sullivan Tire building recently had a facelift. The Toyota dealership at 58-60 Portsmouth Avenue is moving out of town, and a Porsche/Audi dealership will be taking its place.

Residential/Agricultural (RA) - The total number of Residential Certificates of Occupancy issued was 41, a decrease of 22 from last year. This figure includes single family, duplexes, and triplexes. The total number of Commercial Certificates of Occupancy issued was seven.

ACTIVITY REPORT	2006
• Single Family	31
• Multi-Family (Duplex)	2 (Duplex counts as 2 living units)
• Multi-Family (Triplex)	0 (Triplex counts as 3 living units)
• Garages/Barn	11
• Sheds	23
• Decks	23
• Residential Additions/Renovations	104
• New Commercial	5
• Commercial Additions/Renovations	23
• Mobile Homes	0
• Pools	14
• Signs	12
• Demolitions	12
• Electrical, Plumbing & Mechanical	247
• Correspondence	0
• Miscellaneous	29
• Board of Adjustment	5
Total	541

If I can be of help to anyone, I keep office hours between 9:00 a.m. and Noon, Monday thru Friday each week.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Barnes
Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT

The Assessing Department has had a very busy year. Time and effort was put into classes and training to meet recertification requirements as a Certified New Hampshire Assessor (CNHA). I have been approved as a Certified Property Assessor Supervisor through the NH Department of Revenue Administration. This education has acted as a tool to meet the requirements for certification.

Speaking of certification, I am happy to report that the Town has met the State's guidelines required for certification. This process involved testing the level of uniformity of assessments, assessing practices, exemptions and credits, accuracy of data and proportionality. The Department of Revenue Administration has been given guidelines, which were recommended by the Assessing Standards Boards (ASB). These guidelines are to assist the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue to determine the degree to which assessments of a municipality achieve substantial compliance with applicable statues and rules. Upon completion of the review, the results are to be sent to the Assessing Standards Board and the municipality. The Town's next certification year will be 2010.

In addition, over 500 properties were reviewed as a result of a building permit or properties whose construction had not yet been completed the prior year. This resulted in an additional $22,000,000 to the Town's tax base.

Due to new subdivisions, lot line adjustments, and sales of land enrolled in the current use program, land was appraised and then given a land use change tax. This resulted in a total for the year in the amount of $391,367.00, which will be placed in the Land Conservation Fund.

New assessment records were created and appraised as a result of subdivisions, voluntary mergers, lot line adjustments and deed changes. This data was then sent out to be updated on the Town's tax maps. Effort was also put into identifying conservation land so it could be identified on our tax maps. This project is still in progress.

The assessing staff encourages taxpayers to contact us with their questions and concerns and, in particular, to review their current assessment card for accuracy. Currently, property record cards can be viewed via a public computer in the Town Office. Owners can have their property record card printed at no charge.

Please feel free to contact our department at 603-772-7391 or drop us an email at alewy@stratham-nh.us.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea S. Lewy, CNHA
Town Assessor

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

What is the mission of the Public Works Commission?

The Public Works Commission exists to assist the residents of the Town with water issues by steering them to the information they need to address the issues. The Commission is also responsible for keeping the Board of Selectmen informed on town and regional projects that may affect the Town's water and sewer projects.

Why did the Town create a Public Works Commission for Water and Sewer?

The Town had a Water Commission in place; however, when the State created the Great Bay Estuary Commission (GBEC) to study sewage treatment solutions for the Seacoast region, the Town determined that a local commission should be in place since Stratham is one of the towns included in the study by the GBEC.

What is the Great Bay Estuary Project?

The Great Bay Estuary Project has goals that include the clean up of all rivers and streams that flow into the Atlantic Ocean including Great Bay. The clean up of rivers and streams will affect all towns in the region whether they have local sewer systems or not. Towns without local sewer systems have contracts with facilities in other towns to treat septic waste. In most cases, the treatment systems require rivers and streams for discharge, which eventually flows into Great Bay or the Atlantic Ocean. The Great Bay Estuary Project is a Federal and State funded project that is looking to regionalize how towns deal with wastewater.

Are we going to have to install a town water and sewer system as a result of the GBEC?

No. The GBEC has been set up to allow each town to make its own decision about water and sewer systems.

Aren't septic systems fine as long as they are kept clean by regular pumping?

Yes. The problem is not with our septic systems. The problem will be finding locations where we can dispose of septic sludge (and at what cost). Presently septic sludge from Stratham goes to Hampton for processing, which works fine at the moment. However, Hampton is expanding its sewer system annually and the increase in local use of their processing facility decreases the amount of outside material it can take in for processing. If Hampton can no longer take in our sludge, it will mean longer travel distances and higher pumping costs.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Sallet and Lissa S. Ham
Co-Chairs

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Stratham Conservation Commission is an advisory group to the Board of Selectmen, Board of Adjustment, and the Planning Board. The Commission is responsible for following directives outlined in the Master Plan to preserve land and educate members of the community about conservation and recycling. We work with conservation commissions of surrounding communities to make joint recommendations, respond to wetland applications filed with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, and provide guidance to landowners and developers on projects that have potential wetlands impact.

The Commission oversees the A*d Hoc* Conservation Bond Subcommittee that was formed in 2002 following voter approval of a $5 million bond for land conservation and purchase of development rights. The Commission reviews the A*d Hoc* Subcommittee's recommendations, contracts with attorneys, evaluates easements, and provides direction with appraisals and surveys. In past years, the Commission has been able to fund easement purchases with monies from the land use change tax that go directly into the Land Conservation Fund. In 2006, however, a beautiful parcel of land owned by the Zarnowski family became available for purchase. The Board of Selectmen voted to use the bond fund to purchase this environmentally important piece of land that is on the Squamscott River. The Commission and the *Ad Hoc* Subcommittee are continuing to work with other landowners on the acquisition of additional development rights.

The Conservation Commission is fortunate to have a dedicated group of volunteers on the A*d Hoc* Subcommittee, who put in countless hours working with landowners who are considering land conservation. Stratham landowners have been willing to consider the benefits of conservation easements that help preserve not only their individual parcel, but Stratham's rural character as well. Stratham is considered a leader in the state in promoting land conservation.

Some other Commission activities in 2006 included coordinating the annual town-wide clean up day in April, developing an educational display about recycling for the Stratham Fair, and providing the Wiggin Memorial Library with land conservation resource information.

The Commission is working with a forester on developing a plan to thin portions of the Town Forest and improve trails in 2007. Thinning of the forest is expected to improve healthy tree growth and improve diversity in wildlife habitats.

The Conservation Commission meets every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Please contact the chair or the Town Administrator for additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Elwell
Chair

AD HOC CONSERVATION BOND SUBCOMMITTEE

New conservation projects since our last Town Report include:

- Thirty acres of scenic waterfront property located along the banks of the tidal Squamscott River. We are thrilled to permanently protect this large wooded parcel that also includes fragile tidal and transitional wetlands. Due to the landowners' wishes, the Selectmen authorized us to purchase this property outright (rather than just an easement) with the intention that the land be permanently protected as conservation land. Investment in this parcel provides the Town with a nice block of conservation land on the water that will remain accessible to the public. Critical estuarine plant, wildlife, and bird habitats are protected and the property is adjacent to an already-conserved parcel of land.

- Twenty-nine acres of wooded land located on Bunker Hill Avenue. This parcel lies adjacent to scenic farm fields, and includes beautiful wooded uplands as well as important wetland areas over a ground water recharge area.

At deadline time for printing, we are extremely close to going public with our largest land conservation project yet, a prime parcel that includes a combination of open farmlands and beautiful forest, all with lovely views.

The *Ad Hoc* Subcommittee sincerely appreciates the continued support of our fellow Stratham citizens and our Board of Selectmen. As in the past, we are deeply indebted to invaluable help from our Town Administrator Paul Deschaine, who assists us in completing the critical legal tasks, attends most of our meetings, and provides solid advice whenever asked. Town Planner Chuck Grassie has also helped us with mapping efforts, and he has helped improve communication between the conservation groups and the Planning Board.

The conservation bond authority provides credibility with landowners, and enables the Town of Stratham to move more quickly if necessary to save a vital piece of land from development. With 7 easements protecting 183 acres now behind us, we look forward to a fruitful 2007 in our Stratham land conservation efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Stephenson
Chair

STRATHAM HILL PARK ASSOCIATION

Our first order of business this year was to vote in a new president after Gordon Barker felt it was time for some "new blood" after his 12 "plus" years at the helm. With this done, we would all like to thank Gordon for his past dedication to the Park and look forward to working with him on new projects as the Park looks to the future.

The Stratham Hill Park 100th Anniversary Celebration Committee was formed and met for the first time in December 2005. Members of the committee volunteered their time throughout 2006 to offer a number of events to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Stratham Hill Park.

An anniversary logo contest was held in March; students from Stratham Memorial School submitted logo drawings that were then voted on by the entire student body. The winning logo, drawn by Eli Wiggin, was then used to create a flag and postcards to promote the anniversary.

A benefit auction sponsored by Susan Conway and Mark Stevens was held in June to raise funds for an Old Home Day-style celebration planned for August. The auction was a great success, with more than 100 guests in attendance and over $16,000 raised.

On Friday, August 25th, the celebration began with a dance held under a tent at the Park. At the end of the evening, the winner of a Stratham Travel cruise on the Freedom of the Seas cruise ship was drawn. The lucky ticket holder was Selectman David Short.

On August 26th, a daylong celebration was held at Stratham Hill Park in honor of the 100th anniversary, beginning with an early-morning cross-country race through the Park, followed by a parade and opening ceremony. Throughout the day there were field games led by Laura Batchelder, displays and videos of Park history, scavenger hunts, and a chicken barbeque, all announced by Dan Whittier. The final event of the day was an original musical play, "The Story of Stratham Hill," written by Chris and Vicky Avery. Singers from the Stratham Community Church and musicians David Gaynor, Alan Batchelder, and Chris Avery supported a cast of dedicated actors directed by Chelsea Bailey.

The culmination of the yearlong celebration occurred on November 11th at the annual Veteran's Day celebration at the Park. At that event, residents gathered to watch Nan Pearson, John Nichols, and Forest Barker unveil two plaques placed at the base of the newly created Tuck Memorial Trail. The plaques represent both the original dedication to Edward Tuck and details about his gift to the Town of Stratham.

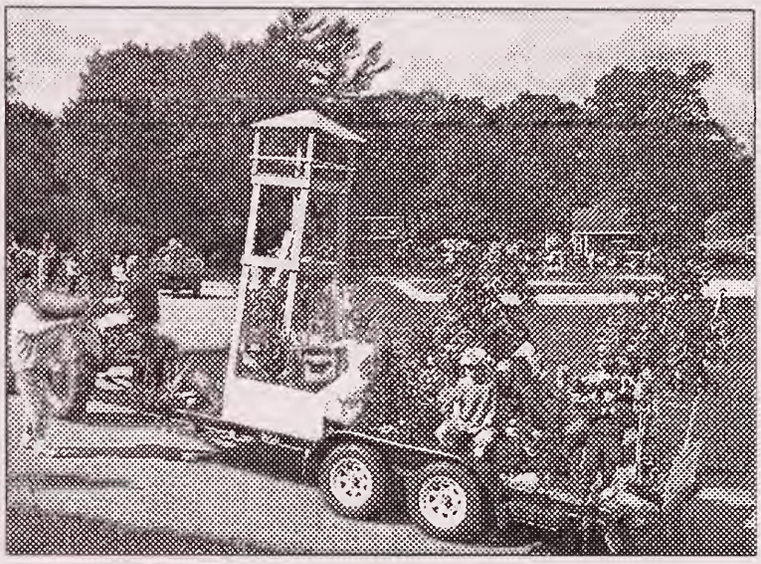
At the December meeting of the Park Association, representatives of the 100th anniversary committee presented a check for $10,938 to Park Association President Dan Crow, to support long-range projects at the Park. After commending the committee on a job well done, the Park Association voted to dissolve the 100th anniversary committee. My sincere gratitude and heartfelt thanks go out to the entire 100th anniversary committee and chairs Joyce and Chris Rowe, Sr. and to Vicky Avery.

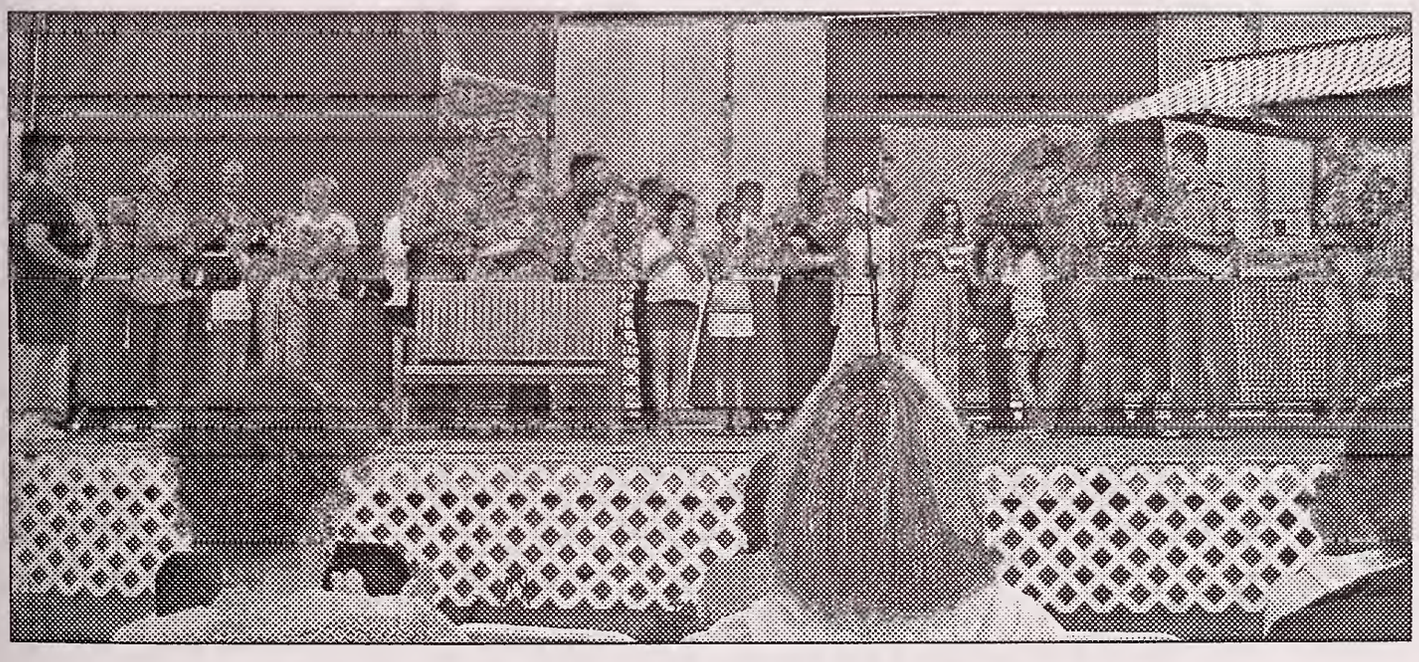
The Park Association meets on the fourth Monday of the odd month at 7:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's meeting room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel F. Crow
President









RECREATION COMMISSION

The Stratham Recreation Commission's primary focus is to provide full and balanced recreational programming that meets the needs of all residents. The Commission provides activities, athletic programming, and cultural events for community members of all ages. The Commission also established, operates, and maintains the Stevens Park facility.

Over the last year, the Recreation Commission has gone through a great change. Not only has the Commission increased the number of programs and participants, but it has also hired a Recreation Director. This is a great accomplishment and will only benefit the Town's programs. Tara Barker, Recreation Director, started working for Stratham in September 2006. Tara will be organizing and implementing many recreation activities for all ages. Keep a lookout for the new fall, winter and spring activity flyers. The Stevens Park has been through its second full season; travel and recreational soccer and lacrosse teams can be found there almost every day of the week (weather permitting). New improvements to Stevens Park include paving the parking lot, creating space for baseball and softball fields, as well as a multi-purpose court. Stevens Park will be undergoing more construction this coming year to include a multi-purpose court, pavilion, baseball field and softball field, as well as a new piece of playground equipment, provided by the Stratham Playground Committee.

The Stratham Playground Committee was formed late in the year by a group of community members who are working together to build funds through donations from residents and businesses in the Stratham area. The goal is to raise funds to be used to develop a portion of Stevens Park into a quality playground area. The committee has been hard at work fundraising for the playground and has been very successful. The playground committee invites you to visit their website at www.strathamplayground.blogspot.com. If you would like more information or would like to join the committee, please contact Kristin Quinn at 772-1268 or kristinlquinn@gmail.com.

Programs offered for adults include adult baseball, adult soccer, aerobics, Pilates, and yoga. In 2007, there will be many new programs for the community, including but not limited to hikes, bikes, outdoor activities, selling of Manchester Monarchs hockey game tickets, family trips, ski trips, and general bus trips as well as financial classes. Stratham youth enjoyed our popular summer camp, annual Easter egg hunt, Halloween party and the annual 5th grade year-end party. The Recreation Commission also sponsored the Stratham Circle community tree lighting, providing the luminary bags that encompassed the traffic circle. One of the many new programs to come is the Gunstock ski program for the 8th grade students of the SAU 16. This program has been very successful and hopes to continue giving students an opportunity to participate in outdoor winter activities for years to come.

The activities committee put together another fine summer season of musical entertainment at the David C. Noyes Stage at Stratham Hill Park. The 2006 Summer Music Series featured the ever-popular band "Beatle Juice" who rocked the Park for over three hours with their amazing repertoire of popular Beatles tunes. North Shore Acappella brought their unique mix of Motown and Doo Wop-style vocal harmonies to cool a hot summer night. Exeter's own "Skamasutra," Stratham's "Reef" and "Black Elephant" kept the crowd, young and old alike, rockin' the night

away. The committee is now working to put together the 2007 season and would welcome any volunteers who love outdoor music to bring their ideas, energy, and enthusiasm and help out. Meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the EOC Room at the Municipal Center. Contact Jeff Gallagher at 778-9049 or johnc.gallagher@comcast.net to join the committee or share your ideas.

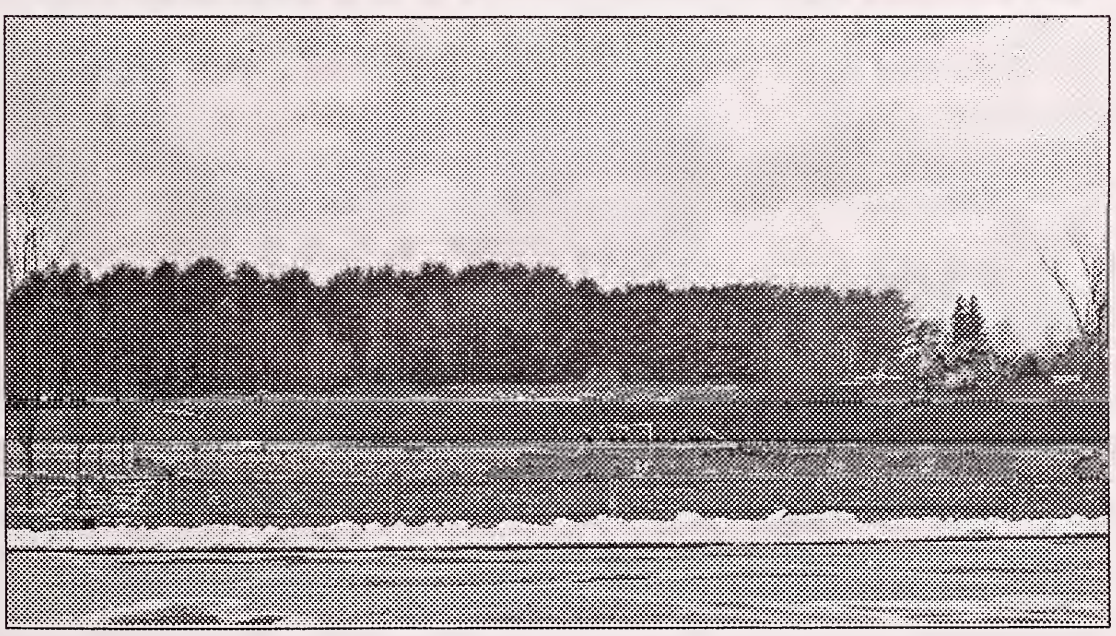
New office hours for the recreation office are Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Information about upcoming recreation programs and registrations can be found on the website (www.wigginsml.org) or at the recreation office. The Recreation Commission meets the first Monday of the month at 7:30 pm. Meetings are always open to the public. The Commission is comprised of volunteers and is in need of members. We welcome any resident who may want to join any of our boards. Suggestions or comments regarding programming are always welcome, that way we can serve the recreational needs of all Stratham residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Barker
Recreation Director

Caren Gallagher
Chair, Recreation Commission





WIGGIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Even as we look forward to the next exciting additions to library services and space over the next few years, it is interesting to look back and see how far we've come.

In 2007, a site and building study of the current municipal center (housing the Town offices and the library) will answer questions about the possibilities for expanded library space. The police department is moving out of the smallest space in the municipal building, so it isn't yet known exactly what the most appropriate, efficient use of that space will be. As the Town continues to grow, town offices, the library, and the recreation department are all feeling growing pains. Happily, this building has served the community's needs very well since 1989 and we are all excitedly looking towards its continued use in the future.

In 2007, you can also look forward to a revised strategic plan for the library, addressing future needs and outlining a community-focused approach to meeting those needs. We need additional space to accommodate the increasing number of library visitors, people attending programs and a library collection that is growing not only in numbers but in diversity as well. You can find books, magazines, audio books (on cassette, CD, digital), movies (VHS and DVD), music and more in your library today.

Twenty-five years ago, the library was also struggling for space. That was before we moved from the original Wiggin Memorial Library building (which now houses the collection of the Stratham Historical Society) to our current location in the municipal center. It's fascinating to read the statistics from 1981 and see how exponentially we have grown since then. There is no doubt that Stratham was proud of its library 25 years ago – today Stratham can be even more proud to realize that we truly have a state-of-the-art, community-focused library that is continuing to explore new ways to offer the very best service to every single resident.

Library Mission

"To be the best library we can be through our exceptional service, relevant resources and our unwavering commitment to the enjoyment of reading, lifelong learning, intellectual freedom and community...and to have fun doing it!"

Then ~ 25 Years Ago	**Now ~ 2006**
Circulation (Items checked out): 20,105	Circulation (Items checked out): 122,889
Story Time Attendance: 1,425	Story Time Attendance: 3,152
Number of Library Borrowers: 1,414	Number of Library Borrowers: 4,384
Number of Inter-Library Loans: 135	Number of Inter-Library Loans: 2,746
Population: 2,507	Population: 7,131

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Kimball
Director

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Highway Department was very busy again in 2006. We maintain the highways, cemeteries, Stevens Park, transfer station and various other town properties with a staff of 4, despite the Town's continued growth. Last year, we ground and repaved Butterfield Lane in order to give it new life. We also paved Long Hill Road, Bartlett Road, Whittaker Drive, and Erik Way.

Our biggest need this year is to add a person to the department to keep up with our duties and responsibilities that become more and more as the Town grows. This position was actually never filled after a former employee retired from the department five years ago. We would just like to see the person added back to the department.

Stevens Park is growing every year and adds a lot of time to maintain. It seems to be harder and harder each year to find qualified part-time help. We would also like to replace our oldest pickup truck with plow with a new one.

Just a reminder and winter maintenance tip: please keep mailboxes, basketball hoops, and edges of lawns out of the right-of-way by placing them as far away from the edge of pavement as possible. This will prevent damage to these structures during snow removal operations and avoid possible injury to our drivers.

Please feel free to call us at 772-5550 with any questions or comments you may have and thank you for your support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Hutton, Jr.
Highway Agent

MOSQUITO CONTROL

The 2006 mosquito season was certainly unusual. Spring began with drought conditions and ended with flood conditions where precipitation was measured in feet instead of inches. All that rain helped species of mosquitoes that transmit **Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)** to thrive. Most EEE activity appears to have been in Rockingham County, although the disease was detected in Hillsborough and Strafford Counties. In 2006, EEE was found in 40 mosquito samples, five birds, and one horse throughout 23 New Hampshire communities; fortunately, there were no human cases in New Hampshire in 2006. To date, 13 species of mosquitoes found in New Hampshire are known carriers of EEE and/or West Nile Virus. None of the mosquitoes trapped in Stratham tested positive for either disease, although EEE turned up in nearby Exeter, Brentwood, East Kingston, Newmarket, Lee, and Rye.

Thanks to the hard work of Senator Maggie Hassan, Representative Lee Quandt, and Town Administrator Paul Deschaine among others, we were able to larvicide sections of salt marsh on NH Fish and Game land that had been exempt from mosquito control measures. Hopefully, this collaborative venture will continue, allowing further treatment of those sites.

The proposed 2007 mosquito control plan for Stratham includes trapping mosquitoes for disease testing, sampling wetlands for larval mosquito activity, applying larvicide where mosquito larvae are found, and roadside spraying, as well as spraying adult mosquitoes at the Park and the schools. The control program begins in April when mosquito larvae are located in stagnant water. Trapping adult mosquitoes for disease testing and spraying adult mosquitoes begins in June and continues as needed through the season. The mosquito control program ends in late September or early October when temperatures drop and daylight diminishes. Homeowners can help reduce the number of mosquitoes in their yards by emptying any outdoor containers that hold standing water, such as buckets, trash barrels, tires and boats, and changing the water in birdbaths every 2 or 3 days.

If you **do not** want your property treated for mosquitoes, then a **written request is needed.** Please send a letter to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885; be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, and a description of your property with boundaries, otherwise, your property may be treated. You may call our office at 964-8400 for assistance regarding mosquitoes, insecticides used, spray dates, or questions regarding West Nile Virus or EEE. For more information about Eastern Equine Encephalitis, West Nile Virus or mosquito control, visit the following websites:

- NH Department of Health and Human Services at www.dhhs.nh.gov
- Centers for Disease Control at www.cdc.gov
- American Mosquito Control Association at www.amca.org

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah MacGregor, President
Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc.

STRATHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

Life seems to get busier as we age. That is certainly true of your Historical Society as it enters its 37th year. In the 1970s, during those fragile first years, Jerry Batchelder was the prime force that held the society together. Thank you, Jerry. And look at us now! Our programs are so well attended, most must be held in the municipal center. In January, author Valerie Cunningham talked about "Portsmouth's Black History." In March, Jerry Batchelder talked about the inspiration for Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter*. J. Dennis Robinson told us about "The Life and Times of the Grand Hotel—Wentworth by the Sea" in September, and in November Dr. Allan V. Koop gave us the history of"Camp Stark—NH's WW II Prisoner of War Camp." In April, we had our 14th Appraisal Day, one of the busiest ever. Our next one will be on April 15, 2007, 1–4 pm. Mark your calendar! Our annual trip in September was to the Woodman Institute in Dover. No one should miss this wonderful museum!

In the fall, we tackled the basement water problem in the Wiggin Memorial Library building. The wooden gutters were repaired and temporary downspouts attached. We received a grant for $500 from the NH Preservation Alliance for an architectural engineer/historian to make suggestions on the best way to proceed on a temporary and permanent basis. Final action will depend on the fire department building plans.

In June, we awarded two college scholarships to high school seniors, made possible by our Winfield P. Foote Endowment Fund. This spring, in addition to the high school scholarships, we will add two scholarships for rising college seniors to help them complete the requirements for graduation. See the library for more scholarship information.

In March, the NH Historical Society became an honorary member of the Stratham Historical Society--they have always been a tremendous help to us. We presented the honorary Boston Post Cane to Virginia Dolloff during a ceremony at the Brentwood Nursing Home. At age 97, she is sharp as a tack and was delighted with the honor. We sold pizza at the Stratham Fair—we started selling in 1992, believe it or not. This year, even though the weather was stormy, we managed to make $975, and that was AFTER we gave the soda sales monies to the Stratham Volunteer fire Department—something we always do.

We received a bequest from the Beatrice Barnard estate of nine pieces of furniture, including a tall case clock from the Wingate estate, plus $1,000 in unencumbered funds to enable us to refurbish the clock. All of these items are on display. Twenty-six folks have donated a variety of wonderful bits of Stratham history this year for which we are grateful. We spend a lot of time accessioning items, preserving them, and doing genealogical research upon request. Our appreciation goes to the Heritage Commission for donating their old computer to us. The 2nd graders visit yearly and are a delight. As always, the members of the society want to thank all Stratham citizens for your constant and strong support. Without your help, we wouldn't be here! THANK YOU.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Mann, President

HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Heritage Commission (RSA 674:44-a) is charged with the following mission: To recognize, use, and protect resources, tangible or intangible, primarily man-made, that are valued for their historic, cultural, aesthetic, or community significance within their natural, built, or cultural contexts. Given that mission, the Heritage Commission's objectives for 2006 included work primarily on several projects in the Veterans' Garden in the Stratham Hill Park and in a review and redirection of its efforts in preserving the heritage of our community.

Veterans' Garden: The Garden continues to be acknowledged as the Town's permanent recognition location for its veterans. Two new wing-walls were installed by Peter E. Wiggin, and lighting was added to the garden. Both of these worthwhile endeavors were funded through the generosity of the Stevens Fund. In addition, responsibility for maintaining the garden was moved to the Park's caretaker by the Selectmen. In May 2006, with donations from members of the commission and others and under the skillful direction of Ali Pike, the garden's flora was modified and more perennials were planted with assistance and support from the United Way Day of Caring.

Redirected Purpose: In April 2006, members began an analysis aimed at reviewing our purpose and effectiveness. Members decided to redirect our energy away from publishing a new edition of the town's history and toward becoming a commission with more public-minded goals. It is our first goal to carry out a Town-wide historical survey, which is to begin in 2007 and is slated for completion in 2009. Its objective is to preserve the community character and other historical resources of Stratham by annotating all structures—or other resources—that may fit the definition of "historically significant." Volunteers are sought for the first phase, which includes research and cataloguing of our vast, local resources. Ultimately, municipal boards can use the results of such a survey to gain an understanding and knowledge of our community's historical assets and resources in their planning processes.

New Members: New members this year are Rebecca Mitchell, former reference librarian and archivist; Beverly Connolly, anthropologist, writer, and public relations specialist; and Sara L. Kellner, architect. Other members are Peter E. Wiggin and Nancy L. Hansen, chair. Our Planning Board representative is Mary Jane Werner.

Future Needs: With a new direction, the Heritage Commission invites you to join us. In 2007, we will meet the second Tuesday of each month, ordinarily in the EOC room of the Municipal Center, beginning at 6:30 pm. (Note that each year the meeting day and time is reassessed to meet the schedule needs of this volunteer board.) We welcome new members!

Contact: We'd like to hear from you, so please send mail to us in care of the Stratham Municipal Center, or email us at StrathamHeritage@comcast.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Hansen
Chair

STATE SENATOR MAGGIE WOOD HASSAN

I appreciate the opportunity to serve you as your state senator and want to report from the New Hampshire State Senate on some of the more important issues we face in District 23 and throughout the state.

Last session, I worked on issues that many constituents had told me were important to them: expanding fuel assistance for citizens struggling with skyrocketing heating costs this winter; stabilizing small business health insurance rates and reducing the cost of health care and prescription drugs; strengthening state ethics laws; offering a state match for public health spraying in communities whose residents are threatened by the spread of mosquito borne illness (EEE and West Nile viruses); enhancing consumer protections for our residents, especially with regard to identity theft; strengthening protection for New Hampshire's children against sexual predators; safeguarding homeowner and landowner rights relating to Eminent Domain; and protecting privacy and voter protection rights for New Hampshire's residents amidst federal law changes. I also worked with Governor Lynch and others to pass a balanced, lean, and effective state budget and with my fellow legislators to provide funding essential to our efforts to save the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. I continue to serve as Chair of the Great Bay Estuary Commission and hope that our efforts to provide an open and inclusive commission process will result in thoughtful and creative efforts to ensure that our region's wastewater treatment is environmentally and economically sound.

The Town of Stratham received $4,473,054.58 in state funding in 2006. Education grants made up $3,908,982.00 of this total. The balance of state aid consists of the following: $250,416.53 from the Rooms and Meals Tax, $115,856.00 for Highway Block Grants, $127,925.91 in Building Aid, $27,915.79 for Special Education, $210.35 for the Raildroad Tax, and, $41,748.00 for Revenue Sharing,

During this session, I will serve on four senate committees: Capital Budget, Public and Municipal Affairs, Energy, Environment, and Economic Development, and Finance. As our legislative session proceeds, I hope to focus on several key issues important to all of us: helping New Hampshire's working families by increasing the minimum wage, protecting New Hampshire citizens' health by supporting the smoking ban in restaurants and bars and increasing health care access; making the internet more safe for our children; protecting New Hampshire's special places and open spaces by increasing funding of the Land and Heritage Investment Program; and supporting the Governor's initiative to reduce the dropout rate in our high schools. I will also be an active participant in defining an adequate education and helping our state find a predictable, sustainable, and fair way of ensuring that all of our children have access to a quality education. I am sure that there are many other issues that you may want to bring to my attention, and I welcome you to do so. If you wish to contact me about these or any other matters I might help you with, please call me at (603) 271-2111, or email me at maggie.hassan@leg.state.nh.us. I thank you for the privilege of serving as your state senator.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Maggie Wood Hassan, District 23

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2005

Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants and Business Advisors

September, 2006

To the Board of Selectman
Town of Stratham, NH

We have audited the Government-wide and Government fund financial statements of the Town of Stratham, NH for the year ended December 31, 2005, and have issued our reports thereon. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

1. Our Responsibility Under Auditing Standards Generally Accepted in the United States of America

As stated in our engagement letter, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Because of the concept of reasonable, but not absolute, assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material errors, fraud, or other illegal acts may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Town. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by the Town are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. During the year ended December 31, 2005 the Town adopted GASB 34 and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended December 31, 2005. We noted no transactions entered into by the Town during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

3. Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based upon management's current judgments. In general, certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements was:

- Under the adoption of GASB 34, managements' estimate of infrastructure assets and their useful lives.

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Significant Audit Adjustments

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a significant audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgment, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. These adjustments may include those proposed by us but not recorded by the Town that could potentially cause future financial statements to be materially misstated, even though we have concluded that such adjustments are not material to the current financial statements. We proposed and the Town adjusted the financial statements for several audit adjustments. The majority of these adjustments related to the following accounts:

	Net Income Effect
To record the State Education Grant	$1,217,382
To adjust depreciation expense	356,271
To adjust taxes receivable	84,487
To adjust payable to School Districts	(1,240,494)

Other Information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements

If the audited financial statements are included in annual reports or other documents, we will ascertain that disclosures in these documents are substantially consistent with the audited financial statements.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Consultation with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Towns financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Towns auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

9. Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no difficulties in dealing with management in performing our audit. We appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to us during the audit.

10. Comments, Observations and Recommendations on Internal Controls

General Ledger maintenance

The Town maintains a trial balance on the cash basis and reconciles monthly receipts and disbursements with the Town Treasurer reports. However, because no balance sheet accounts are being maintained on the trial balance, the cash accounts are not being reconciled to the trial balance. We recommend that all bank accounts be reconciled monthly to the general ledger and that all suspicious reconciling items be promptly investigated and adjusted with adequate explanations. In addition, all balance sheet accounts should be included on the trial balance and reconciled on a monthly basis to supporting subsidiary ledgers.

Infrastructure Assets

The Town has officially adopted GASB "34" and as part of the requirement must maintain an inventory of the Towns infrastructure assets. We recommend the Town create and maintain an infrastructure asset inventory, adding purchases and removing disposals, while reconciling the list to the general ledger on a monthly basis.

Trust Accounts

As a result of our audit, we found that the various Trust account activity as provided by the Trustees was not properly reviewed and reconciled to the general ledger. Reviewing and reconciling the trust account bank and investment statements to the general ledger is a necessary step in ensuring that the funds are being administered and accounted for properly. We recommend the Town appropriately perform this function on a monthly basis.

Inter-fund Transfers

Occasionally the Town makes transfers from its operating account to its Trust accounts or the Library fund. However, these transfers have been incorrectly classified as expenses on the books of the general fund. We recommend the Town track all inter-fund transfers and document their purpose on a separate excel spreadsheet during the year.

Ancillary Accountability

The Town provides facilities, equipment, insurance and staff to several ancillary groups during the year, including, but not limited to various sports boards, the Stratham Hill Park Association and the volunteer fire department association. In addition, appropriations are made from the Town budget to fund these groups' activities to a certain degree. In the past these organizations have operated independently from the Town. Therefore, we recommend the tax status (501 (C) 3 organizations) and filing requirements (990's) of these groups be identified in order to properly include or properly exclude these groups from the Town's general fund for accounting purposes.

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

The implementation of these items will enable you to further strengthen the financial management, bookkeeping and accounting systems and procedures that are currently in place. We recommend that you establish a written schedule to implement the above recommendations, indicating the problem, goal or objective to be accomplished, and the estimated date of implementation. This can be used by management and the Board of Selectman to monitor progress. In addition, we would be glad to discuss, clarify or assist with the implementation of these items.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Selectman and management of the Town and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Bernard, Johnson & Co., P.C.

BERNARD, JOHNSON & CO., P.C.
Certified Public Accountants and Business Advisors

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

REPORT ON AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

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- Detailed Statement of General Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

Within this section of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire's (Town) annual financial report, the Town's management provides narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Town's financial performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosure following this section. The discussion focuses on the Town's primary government and, unless otherwise noted, component units reported separately from the primary government are not included.

Financial Highlights

- The Town's assets exceeded its liabilities by $12,437,811 (net assets) for the fiscal year reported. This compares to the previous year when the assets exceeded liabilities by $6,593,566. However, $5,406,358 of the increase relates to the adoption of GASB 34 and the infrastructure assets.

- The Town had total revenue of $21,833,934, in which $17,986,178 came from the collection of taxes. This is a $1,164,011 increase from last year's revenue.

- The Town had total expenditures of $22,781,686, which is a $1,618,318 increase from last year. The increase in expenditures is due largely to the increase in School Budgets.

- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was $1,179,777 or 5.4% of total General Fund expenditures including transfers and 5.6% of total General Fund revenues including transfers.

- Total liabilities of the Town increased by $892,581 to $12,878,049 during the year. The increase in the liabilities is due to the increase in the amounts due to the School Districts.

Overview of the Financial Statements

Management's discussion and analysis introduces the Town's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. The Town also includes in this report additional information to supplement the basic financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The Town's annual report includes two government-wide financial statements. These statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the Town's overall status. Financial reporting at this level uses a perspective similar to that found in the private sector with its basis in full accrual accounting and elimination or reclassification of internal activities.

The first of these government-wide statements is the Statement of Net Assets. This is the Town-wide statement of financial position presenting information that includes all of the Town's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town as a whole is improving or deteriorating. Evaluation of the overall economic health of the Town would extend to other non-financial factors such as diversification of the taxpayer base or the condition of Town infrastructure in addition to the financial information provided in this report.

The second government-wide statement is the Statement of Activities which reports how the Town's net assets changed during the current year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid. An important purpose of the design of the statement of activities is to show the financial reliance of the Town's distinct activities or functions on revenues provided by the Town's taxpayers.

Both governmental-wide financial statements distinguish governmental activities of the Town that are periodically supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, such as grants, from business type activities that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges. Governmental activities included general government, public safety, public services, education, and culture and recreation.

Notes to the Financial Statements

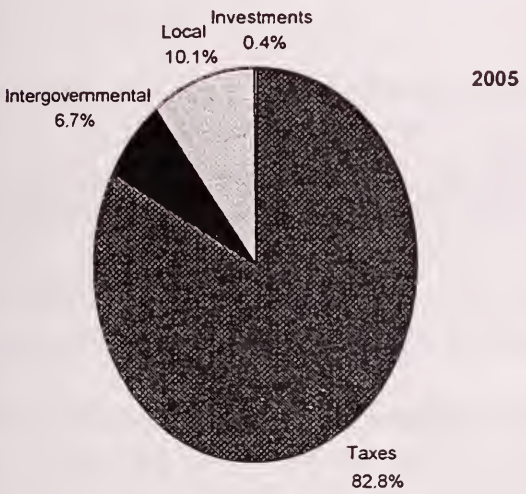
The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to a full understanding of the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements begin immediately following the basic financial statements.

Financial Analysis of the Town as a Whole

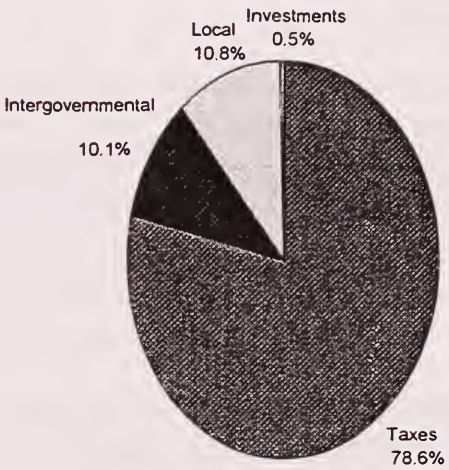
As year-to-year financial information is accumulated on a consistent basis, changes in net assets may be used to monitor the changing financial position of the Town as a whole.

Graphic presentations of selected data from the summary tables follow to assist in the analysis of the Town's activities for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004.

GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES



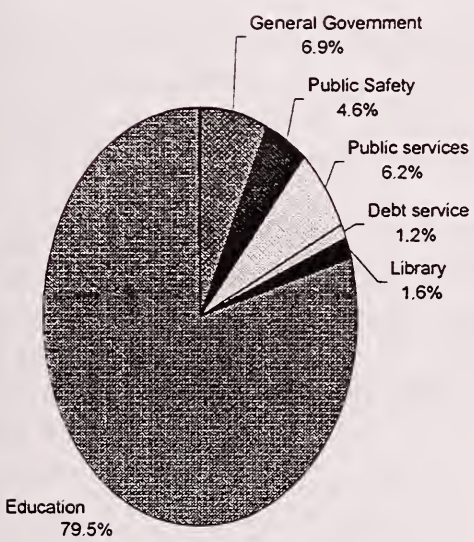
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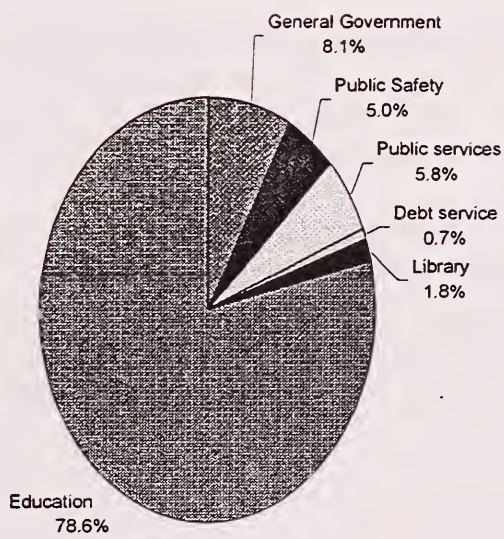
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Long-term Debt

At year-end the Town had $4,750,000 million in bonds outstanding, of which $250,000 will be due in the year 2006. More detail is provided in the notes to financial statements.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, and investors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need any additional financial information, contact the appropriate financial official (Town Treasurer of Town Administrator) at 10 Bunker Hill Avenue, Stratham, New Hampshire, 03885.

Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants and Business Advisors

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

o the Board of Selectman
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/e have audited the accompanying Government-wide and Governmental fund financial statements f the Town Of Stratham, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005, which ollectively comprise the Town's Basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. hese financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is) express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

/e conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United tates of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government uditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards equire that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the nancial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test asis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also cludes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, s well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit rovides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

n our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the espective financial position of the Town Of Stratham, New Hampshire as of December 31, 2005, nd the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the year then ended, in onformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

he management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a equired part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by overnmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which onsist principally of inquiries of management regarding methods of measurement and esentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information nd express no opinion on it.

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Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire's basic financial statements. The supplemental information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Town. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section and statistical tables have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly we express no opinion on them.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards,* we have also issued our report dated July 6, 2006 on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Bernard, Johnson & Co., P.C.

Bernard, Johnson & Company, P.C.
Topsfield, Massachusetts
July 6, 2006

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental Activities
SSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 13,102,599
Investments - at market	372,760
Receivables:	
Taxes - uncollected	961,664
Taxes - unredeemed	58,283
	14,495,306
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Roads	5,302,966
Land	2,637,366
Buildings and improvements	2,082,067
Equipment and vehicles	798,155
	10,820,554
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 25,315,860
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
ABILITIES:	
Due to school districts	$ 7,373,845
Deferred revenue	754,204
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	250,000
Due in more than one year	4,500,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,878,049
t Assets:	
Restricted for:	
Trust principal	435,675
Other purposes	780,880
Unrestricted	1,208,166
Invested in capitial assets, net of related debt	10,013,090
TOTAL NET ASSETS	12,437,811
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	$ 25,315,860

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Government Operations	Expenses	Charge for Services	Grants	Net
General government	$ 1,360,669	$(268,075)	$ -	$ 1,092,59
Public Safety	926,501	(86,538)	(30,144)	809,81
Highway and streets	537,654	-	-	537,65
Sanitation	512,051	-	-	512,05
Health and welfare	89,684	-	-	89,68
Parks and recreation	90,054	-	-	90,05
Debt service interest	238,705	-	-	238,70
Library	322,278	(8,999)	(15,000)	298,27
County	1,005,746	-	-	1,005,74
School Districts	15,817,767	-	(1,217,382)	14,600,38
Other	250	-	-	25
Depreciation	356,271	-	-	356,27
Total governmental operations	$ 21,257,630	$(363,612)	$ (1,262,526)	$ 19,631,49
General Revenues:				
Taxes				17,986,17
Intergovernmental				203,05
Motor vehicle registration				1,369,71
Other				262,49
Investments				247,93
Total general revenue				20,069,37
Change in net assets				437,887
Net Assets - Beginning				6,593,56
				7,031,45
Cumulative change due to change in accounting for infrastructure assets				5,406,35
Net Assets - Ending				$ 12,437,81

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental Fund Types				Total Government
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trusts	2005
SSETS:					
Cash and investments	$ 7,716,546	$ 783,686	$ 3,942,536	$ 596,916	$ 13,039,684
Taxes receivable	1,019,947	-	-	-	1,019,947
Tax deeded property	18,300	-	-	-	18,300
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 8,754,793	$ 783,686	$ 3,942,536	$ 596,916	$ 14,077,931
ABILITIES:					
Due to schools	$ 7,373,845	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 7,373,845
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred revenue	-	754,204	-	-	754,204
TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,373,845	754,204	-	-	8,128,049
und Balance:					
Appropriated	201,171	1,093	3,942,536	472,293	4,617,093
Unappropriated	1,179,777	28,389	-	124,623	1,332,789
TOTAL FUND EQUITIES	1,380,948	29,482	3,942,536	596,916	5,949,882
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	$ 8,754,793	$ 783,686	$ 3,942,536	$ 596,916	$ 14,077,931

Net Assets - Governmental Funds	$ 5,949,882
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different due to:	
Non-current capital assets	10,802,254
Nonexpendable trusts	435,675
Non-current long-term debt	(4,750,000)
Net Assets	$ 12,437,811

The accompany notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group	Total (Memorandum only) (Note 4)	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust	General Long-Term Debt	2005	2004
ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 7,716,546	$ 782,386	$ 3,942,536	$ 661,131	$ -	$ 13,102,599	$ 12,865,725
Investments - at market	-	1,300	-	371,460	-	372,760	359,572
Receivables							
Taxes - uncollected	961,664	-	-	-	-	961,664	973,860
Taxes - unredeemed	58,283	-	-	-	-	58,283	85,260
Tax deeded property	18,300	-	-	-	-	18,300	18,300
Amount to be raised for the retirement of long term debt	-	-	-	-	4,750,000	4,750,000	5,000,000
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 8,754,793	$ 783,686	$ 3,942,536	$ 1,032,591	$ 4,750,000	$ 19,263,606	$ 19,302,717
LIABILITIES:							
Due to schools	$ 7,373,845	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 7,373,845	$ 6,133,351
Bonds payable	-	-	-	-	4,750,000	4,750,000	5,000,000
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,800
Deferred revenue	-	754,204	-	-	-	754,204	787,317
Due to other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,373,845	754,204	-	-	4,750,000	12,878,049	11,985,468
FUND EQUITIES:							
Appropriated	201,171	1,093	3,942,536	472,293	-	4,617,093	5,501,256
Unappropriated	1,179,777	28,389	-	-	-	1,208,166	1,258,477
Unexpendable trust principal	-	-	-	435,675	-	435,675	433,247
Expendable trust income	-	-	-	124,623	-	124,623	124,269
TOTAL FUND EQUITIES	1,380,948	29,482	3,942,536	1,032,591	-	6,385,557	7,317,249
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	$ 8,754,793	$ 783,686	$ 3,942,536	$ 1,032,591	$ 4,750,000	$ 19,263,606	$ 19,302,717

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – ALL GOVERNMENT FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust
REVENUE:				
Taxes	$ 17,986,178	$ -	$ -	$ -
Intergovernmental sources	1,712,512	-	-	-
Local sources	1,921,139	23,999	-	-
Investments	79,839	-	86,205	24,062
TOTAL REVENUE	21,699,668	23,999	86,205	24,062
EXPENDITURES:				
General government	1,360,142	-	-	527
Public Safety	926,501	-	-	-
Highway and streets	537,654	-	-	-
Sanitation	512,051	-	-	-
Health & welfare	89,684	-	-	-
Parks & recreation	90,054	-	-	-
Debt service	488,705	-	-	-
Capital outlay & special warrants	215,524	-	592,490	794,387
Library	-	336,572	-	-
County	1,005,746	-	-	-
School districts	15,817,767	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	250
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,043,828	336,572	592,490	795,164
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	655,840	(312,573)	(506,285)	(771,102)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Operating transfers in	22,000	321,378	-	367,915
Operating transfers out	(696,293)	-	-	(15,000)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(674,293)	321,378	-	352,915
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(18,453)	8,805	(506,285)	(418,187)
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,399,401	20,677	4,448,821	1,015,103
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 1,380,948	$ 29,482	$ 3,942,536	$ 596,916

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – ALL GOVERNMENT FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Totals (Memorandum Only) (Note 4)	
	2005	2004
REVENUE:		
Taxes	$ 17,986,178	$ 16,240,808
Intergovernmental sources	1,712,512	2,095,481
Local sources	1,945,138	2,237,011
Investments	190,106	96,623
TOTAL REVENUE	21,833,934	20,669,923
EXPENDITURES:		
General government	1,360,669	1,474,341
Public Safety	926,501	910,188
Highway and streets	537,654	469,290
Sanitation	512,051	502,473
Health & welfare	89,684	80,272
Parks & recreation	90,054	108,089
Debt service	488,705	132,260
Capital outlay & special warrants	1,602,401	1,881,226
Library	336,572	325,019
County	1,005,746	967,675
School districts	15,817,767	14,312,285
Other	250	250
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	22,768,054	21,163,368
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUES	(934,120)	(493,445)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		
Operating transfers in	711,293	1,153,938
Operating transfers out	(711,293)	(1,153,938)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES USES	-	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(934,120)	(493,445)
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	6,884,002	7,377,447
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 5,949,882	$ 6,884,002

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUE:			
Taxes	$ 17,447,915	$ 17,986,178	$ 538,263
Intergovernmental sources	1,705,204	1,712,512	7,308
Local sources	1,795,218	1,921,139	125,921
Investments	30,000	79,839	49,839
TOTAL REVENUE	20,978,337	21,699,668	721,331
EXPENDITURES:			
General government	1,331,508	1,360,142	(28,634)
Public Safety	914,220	926,501	(12,281)
Highway and streets	666,660	537,654	129,006
Sanitation	520,634	512,051	8,583
Health & welfare	98,168	89,684	8,484
Parks & recreation	115,388	90,054	25,334
Debt service	465,625	488,705	(23,080)
Capital outlay & special warrants	343,913	215,524	128,389
Library	-	-	-
County	1,005,746	1,005,746	-
School districts	15,817,767	15,817,767	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,279,629	21,043,828	235,801
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(301,292)	655,840	957,132
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers in	-	22,000	22,000
Operating transfers out	(318,378)	(696,293)	(377,915)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING USES	(318,378)	(674,293)	(355,915)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(619,670)	(18,453)	601,217
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,399,401	1,399,401	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 779,731	$ 1,380,948	$ 601,217

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL
GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Special Revenue Fund Types		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUE:			
Taxes	$ -	$ -	$ -
Intergovernmental sources	-	-	-
Local sources	-	23,999	23,999
Investments	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUE	-	23,999	23,999
EXPENDITURES:			
General government	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	-	-
Highway and streets	-	-	-
Sanitation	-	-	-
Health & welfare	-	-	-
Parks & recreation	-	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-
Capital outlay & special warrants	-	-	-
Library	304,084	336,572	(32,488)
County	-	-	-
School districts	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	304,084	336,572	(32,488)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(304,084)	(312,573)	(8,489)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Operating transfers in	304,084	321,378	17,294
Operating transfers out	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	304,084	321,378	17,294
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	-	8,805	8,805
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	20,677	20,677	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 20,677	$ 29,482	$ 8,805

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Fiduciary Fund Type Non-Expendable Trusts
REVENUES:	
New trusts	$ 6,400
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	(3,972)
TOTAL REVENUES	2,428
EXPENDITURES	-
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	2,428
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	433,247
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 435,675

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Fiduciary Fund Type Non-Expendable Trusts
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Operating Income	$ 8,828
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATIONS	8,828
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Purchase (proceeds) of securities	(15,616)
Unrealized/realized gain (loss) on securities	(3,972)
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(19,588)
NET INCREASE IN CASH	(10,760)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	74,975
CASH AT END OF YEAR	$ 64,215

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, (the Town) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies.

A. Reporting Entity

The Town was incorporated in 1716 under the laws of the State of New Hampshire and operates under an elected three-member Board of Selectmen.

The Town meets the criteria established by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) as a primary governmental entity for financial reporting purposes, and has determined under GASB Statement #14 that currently, no other entity in Town qualifies as a component unit.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or activity is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or activity and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital function of a particular function or activity. Taxes and other items not property included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

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C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.* Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.* Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is made.

The following are the Town's governmental fund types:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general appropriations that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds. Activities are generally financed through property taxes, motor vehicle registrations and other general revenue.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. The funds included in this group include the operation of the public library.

Capital Projects Funds – The Capital Projects Fund accounts for the acquisition of land for, and the construction of, the new Safety Complex as approved by Town Meeting.

Expendable Trust – Expendable trusts are used to account for assets held in a trustee capacity. Expendable trusts (in which the corpus can be spent) are accounted for in a similar fashion to governmental fund types.

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D. Compensated Absences

Upon termination, employees are paid for all unused time in their paid leave bank and compensatory time. Accumulated paid leave and compensatory time for employees paid out of governmental funds are recorded as an expenditure when due for payment.

E. Accounting for Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed in the governmental funds. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balance since they do not yet constitute expenditures or liabilities. There were no outstanding encumbrances at year end.

F. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

G. Investments

Marketable equity securities and debt securities are classified as either held to maturity, trading, or available-for-sale. Debt securities classified as held-to-maturity should be reported in the balance sheet at amortized cost. Trading securities and available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value.

H. Budgetary Control

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the Town's general fund. Budgets are prepared by department and character (salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.). The budget is voted on and enacted at Town Meeting in the aggregate. The final budget is then presented to the Department of Revenue Administration for their review and approval of the tax rate. Certain limitations set by state statue must be adhered to before the rate is established. Since the budget is voted on in the aggregate the total becomes the legal level of control. Within this control level, the selectmen may transfer appropriations without further action from the Town.

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I. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and certain infrastructure assets, are reported in the governmental activities in the Government-wide statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than $5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. The Town has only capitalized governmental infrastructure assets acquired since 2003. Depreciation is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of each asset. The estimated useful lives range from 5-50 years.

CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005
Governmental Activities:

	ASSETS			
	Balance 12-31-04	Additions	Retirements	Balance 12-31-05
Land	$ 1,817,447	$ 801,619	$ -	$2,619,066
Buildings and improvements	1,750,360	592,490	-	2,342,850
Roads	4,805,475	728,200	-	5,533,675
Equipment and vehicles	1,981,205	63,441	-	2,044,646
Totals	$10,354,487	$2,185,750	$ -	12,540,237
	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION			
Land	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Buildings and improvements	188,650	72,133	-	260,783
Roads	127,317	103,392	-	230,709
Equipment and vehicles	1,065,745	180,746	-	1,246,491
Totals	$1,381,712	$ 356,271	$ -	$1,737,983

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:

The Town's cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

RSA 48:16 requires that all funds belonging to the Town be deposited in solvent banks within the state, except funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver collateral to the state treasurer of equal value as the funds deposited. There is no requirement of an in-state bank to collateralize deposits in excess of FDIC insurance.

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3. APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

The balance in the general fund account - appropriated fund balance - represents unexpended funds for current and previous year's special appropriations for the following purposes:

Municipal improvements	$ 75,000
Ball fields and equipment	69,737
Lights	49,298
Highway equipment	7,136
	$201,171

The balance in the trust funds represents unexpended capital reserve accounts established for the following:

Land conservation	$366,205
Radio replacement	44,339
Fire department	61,749
	$472,293

4. TOTAL COLUMNS ON STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW:

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

5. PROPERTY TAX CYCLE:

Property taxes are based on values assessed as of April 1, and are normally due by December 1, or thirty days subsequent to mailing date, whichever is later. Taxes due and unpaid after the respective due date are subject to interest at 12%. The Town has an ultimate right to foreclose on property for which taxes have not been paid. Thirty days after the taxes become delinquent the tax collector can initiate the tax lien/sale procedure by notifying the taxpayer by certified mail that they have 32 days to pay the bill or a lien shall be recorded against the property at the Registrar of Deeds. Once such lien is placed, interest increases to 18%. If full redemption of such outstanding tax lien is not timely made within two years of the execution of the lien, including statutory interest and costs accrued thereon, a tax deed may be issued to the holder of such lien pursuant to RSA 80:38 or RSA 80:76, and disposed of as the deed holder shall determine within the limits outlined in RSA 80.

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6. SPECIAL REVENUE CASH:

Special revenue cash consists of the following:

Road bonds	$571,279
Park stage	234
Library funds	28,182
EMS	173,120
Heritage funds	4,844
Recreation funds	4,727
	$782,386

7. CASH AND INVESTMENTS:

The Town's cash deposits and investments at December 31, 2005, are categorized by maturity date and by the level of risk assumed by the Town. The risk categories are defined as follows:

(1) Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Town or its agent in Town's name;
(2) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name;
(3) Uncollateralized or uninsured for which securities are held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

At December 31, 2005, the Town's deposits and investments consisted of the following:

	Categories			Total Cost	Market Value
	1	2	3		
Demand deposits	$ 302,539	$ -	$ 12,725,147	$ 13,027,686	$ 13,027,686
Securities	-	-	314,606	314,606	372,760
New Hampshire Public Public Deposit and Investment Pool	-	74,913	-	74,913	74,913
	$ 302,539	$74,913	$ 13,039,753	$ 13,417,205	$ 13,475,359

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8. RECONCILIATION OF BUDGET AS APPROVED AT TOWN MEETING TO GAAP BASIS BUDGET:

Total appropriations - Town Meeting	$4,612,624
Add: Prior years' appropriations expended	
Stage	1,256
Playground equipment	3,713
Highway equipment	10,741
Playing fields	1,746
Technology	9,738
Less: 2005 Appropriations carried forward	
Municipal center	(35,000)
Playing fields	(57,300)
Playground equipment	(8,150)
	$4,539,368

9. GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT:

General governmental liabilities for retirement of long-term debts are accounted for in the general long-term debt group, except for general obligations debt intended to be serviced by the earnings of an enterprise fund. Amounts due in future periods on long-term debt recorded in the account group are provided by appropriation each year.

At December 31, 2005, the general long-term debt of the Town consists of general obligation bonds with an original issue amount of $5,000,000 for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities for the Police and Fire departments. The amount outstanding at December 31, 2005 is $4,750,000.

2003 Serial Bonds, due in annual installments of $250,000 through January 2024, with variable interest (2.50% in January 2005).

Principal payments with terms in excess of one year mature as follows:

December, 2005, payable January 2006	$ 250,000
December, 2006	250,000
December, 2007	250,000
December, 2008	250,000
Beyond	3,750,000

TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:			
TAXES:			
Property	$ 17,647,456	$ 17,637,863	$ (9,593)
Land use charge	-	346,365	346,365
Yeild tax	1,950	1,950	-
	17,649,406	17,986,178	336,772
INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOURCES:			
Adequate education grant-state	1,217,382	1,217,382	-
Shared revenues-state	292,165	292,165	-
Highway subsidies-state	120,445	120,445	-
Police grants-federal	75,000	30,144	(44,856)
Conservation & other-state	212	52,376	52,164
	1,705,204	1,712,512	7,308
LOCAL SOURCES:			
Police department	40,000	86,538	46,538
Motor vehicle registrations	1,250,000	1,369,714	119,714
Franchise fee	86,418	86,418	-
Interest on deposits	30,000	79,839	49,839
Rent & sale of town property	7,000	51,640	44,640
Permits, filing fees	32,000	39,728	7,728
Dog licenses	6,000	7,167	1,167
Building permits	150,000	141,929	(8,071)
Interest & penalties on taxes	45,000	52,238	7,238
Income from departments	51,500	43,948	(7,552)
Insurance & refunds	-	-	-
Reimbursements & other	-	41,819	41,819
	1,697,918	2,000,978	303,060
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 21,052,528	$ 21,699,668	$ 647,140

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

(Continued)

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Executive	$ 118,427	$ 115,749	$ 2,678
Election, registration, and vital statistics	5,440	8,972	(3,532)
Financial administration	279,520	278,267	1,253
Legal	20,000	13,634	6,366
Personnel administration	532,864	546,091	(13,227)
Planning and zoning	190,147	168,995	21,152
General government buildings	101,264	103,510	(2,246)
Cemeteries	27,690	20,323	7,367
Insurance	55,886	53,694	2,192
Abatements/Refunds	201,491	50,907	150,584
	1,532,729	1,360,142	172,587
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
Police	726,505	756,258	(29,753)
Fire	121,387	118,490	2,897
Dispatch service	50,128	50,128	-
Emergency management	1,200	1,625	(425)
	899,220	926,501	(27,281)
HIGHWAYS & STREETS:.			
Town maintenance	521,160	532,332	(11,172)
Street lights	5,500	5,322	178
	526,660	537,654	(10,994)
SANITATION:			
Trash pick-up	520,634	512,051	8,583
HEALTH & WELFARE:			
General assistance	12,000	6,141	5,859
Health department	36,068	36,068	-
Water treatment	2,000	-	2,000
Animal control	1,000	375	625
Mosquito control	47,100	47,100	-
	98,168	89,684	8,484
PARKS & RECREATION:			
Parks	61,164	66,112	(4,948)
Recreation	43,544	18,629	24,915
Patriotic	1,500	1,054	446
Heritage & other	9,180	4,259	4,921
	115,388	90,054	25,334

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
(Continued)

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES (Continued):			
DEBT SERVICE:			
Bond principal	250,000	250,000	-
Interest-long term	185,625	175,625	10,000
Interest-short term	30,000	63,080	(33,080)
	465,625	488,705	(23,080)
CAPITAL OUTLAY & SPECIAL WARRANTS:			
2005 Grants	-	6,780	(6,780)
Computers	10,000	10,000	-
Office technology	-	9,738	(9,738)
Highway equipment	-	10,741	(10,741)
Highway reconstruction	140,000	140,000	-
Municipal improvements	35,000	-	35,000
Playing fields	60,000	22,009	37,991
Park Equipment	22,000	-	22,000
EMS Backboard	15,000	15,000	-
Stage	-	1,256	(1,256)
	282,000	215,524	66,476
COUNTY	1,005,746	1,005,746	-
SCHOOL DISTRICT	15,817,767	15,817,767	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,263,937	21,043,828	220,109
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(211,409)	655,840	867,249
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating transfers-in	-	22,000	22,000
Operating transfers-out	(568,378)	(696,293)	(127,915)
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES (USES)	(568,378)	(674,293)	(105,915)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(779,787)	(18,453)	761,334
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,399,401	1,399,401	-
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	$ 619,614	$ 1,380,948	$ 761,334

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERD IN STRATHAM FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
01/03/06	ELLIS MICHAEL JOSEPH	EXETER	ELLIS THOMAS	ELLIS CLAIRE
01/03/06	SCHWEIZER CAITLIN MARIE	EXETER	SCHWEIZER CHRISTOPHER	SCHWEIZER KAREN
01/04/06	LABROAD VINCENT LEE	EXETER	LABROAD BERNARD	MILLS CATHERINE
01/06/06	SMITH TRICIA ANN	EXETER		PAGE SHAUNDRA
01/06/06	PETIT SHAYNA ROSE	EXETER	PETIT THOMAS	CHEVALIER PAMELA
01/09/06	SUNUNU EDITH ELIZABETH	EXETER	SUNUNU CHRISTOPHER	SUNUNU VALERIE
01/15/06	ROSE ALLIANA MAE	EXETER	ROSE ALPHONSO	ROSE KATHERINE
01/16/06	FARNHAM JUSTIN MARK	PORTSMOUTH	FARNHAM THOMAS	SWEETSER JODY
01/26/06	WALSTON CHAD PATRICK	PORTSMOUTH	WALSTON RAYMOND	WALSTON ROBIN
02/04/06	THOMAS COLE JAMES	PORTSMOUTH	THOMAS BRIAN	THOMAS KAREN
02/05/06	PUIIA CAMDEN MICHAEL	PORTSMOUTH	PUIIA MICHAEL	MINER SARAH
02/06/06	FARINA DREW THOMAS	PORTSMOUTH	FARINA JOSH	FARINA TIFFANY
02/18/06	RICE SARAH GRACE	PORTSMOUTH	RICE SHAWN	RICE BETSY
02/25/06	PARMELEE TALIA MARIE	EXETER	PARMELEE KEVIN	PARMELEE LISA
03/06/06	CARACCIOLO HARRISON P	EXETER	CARACCIOLO MATTHEW	CARACCIOLO MELISSA
03/16/06	SPRINGER JACOB DOUGLAS	PORTSMOUTH	SPRINGER TODD	SPRINGER BRIDGETTE
03/16/06	RUEL SAMANTHA MARION	EXETER	RUEL JEFFREY	RUEL JENNIFER
03/18/06	HENDERSON MORGAN FIORA	PORTSMOUTH	HENDERSON RICHARD	HENDERSON JANICE
03/23/06	CONTI KYLE JOSEPH	PORTSMOUTH	CONTI NEAL	CONTI TRACEY
03/28/06	SMITH NATALIE ALEXIS	PORTSMOUTH	SMITH BERNIE	SMITH ANNEMARIE
03/28/06	ELLIS BRIGHAM DYLAN	PORTSMOUTH	ELLIS RONALD	ELLIS ELLEN
04/02/06	NADEAU MYLES STEPHEN	EXETER	NADEAU MICHAEL	TANNIAN MELISSA
04/06/06	HALL CHLOE MICHELLE	EXETER	HALL DERRICK	TOMASSO-HALL TRACY
04/06/06	NICHOLAS ANDREW LEON	PORTSMOUTH	NICHOLAS LEON	NICHOLAS LAURA
04/06/06	NICHOLAS EVAN C	PORTSMOUTH	NICHOLAS LEON	NICHOLAS LAURA
04/08/06	GRAY CONNOR JAMES	PORTSMOUTH	GRAY KEVIN	GRAY DEBORAH
04/17/06	MCGUINNESS JOSHUA JOHN	PORTSMOUTH	MCGUINNESS THOMAS	MCGUINNESS JULIE
04/21/06	RICE KATELYN ROSE	PORTSMOUTH	RICE MATTHEW	SCOTT-RICE JENNIFER
04/23/06	CAMPEL ANNALISE DAVIS	PORTSMOUTH	CAMPEL KENNETH	CAMPEL KRISTINE
05/05/06	DOURDOUFIS BRIELLE NICOLE	PORTSMOUTH	DOURDOUFIS PETER	DOURDOUFIS JOHNNA
05/14/06	WOODARD JACK ANTHONY	PORTSMOUTH	WOODARD GLENN	WOODARD AMY
05/18/06	ROTH MELINA MARIA	DOVER	ROTH CHRISTOPHER	ROTH DOROTHY
05/19/06	BARNEY DEREK JOHN	EXETER	BARNEY DEREK	BARNEY ELISA

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
06/05/06	KIM LIANA YOUNG-EUN	EXETER	KIM MICHAEL	KIM JU
06/09/06	ORCHARD-BLOWEN MOLLY L	PORTSMOUTH		ORCHARD SHARON
06/21/06	KANTIPUDI SAKETH	PORTSMOUTH	KANTIPUDI SRINIVASA	KANTIPUDI KRANTHI
06/21/06	COOK GABRIEL ANDREW	EXETER	COOK STEPHEN	COOK JENNIFER
06/28/06	DUCHARME KATE ELIZABETH	EXETER	DUCHARME GREGORY	DUCHARME MIRANDA
07/16/06	DELORIE EVAN CHRISTOPHER	EXETER	DELORIE CHRISTOPHER	DELORIE AMY
07/22/06	BROWN KYLE JACKSON	PORTSMOUTH	BROWN STEVEN	BROWN KATHERINE
07/22/06	FERNANDES GEORGIA J	EXETER	FERNANDES MICHAEL	FERNANDES CHRISTIAN
07/22/06	FERNANDES QUINN MARIANNE	EXETER	FERNANDES MICHAEL	FERNANDES CHRISTIAN
07/24/06	IRELAND CAROLINE MARIAN	PORTSMOUTH	IRELAND THOMAS	IRELAND MELISSA
07/25/06	TOBIN SKYLAR GRACE	EXETER	TOBIN MATTHEW	TOBIN KERRY
07/25/06	BIRKBECK TRAVIS RYAN	PORTSMOUTH	BIRKBECK JACK	BIRKBECK NANCY
07/27/06	GLANCE SOPHIE ELIZABETH	PORTSMOUTH	GLANCE MATTHEW	CONNOR-GLANCE KERRY
08/10/06	BOURGEAULT GABRIEL M	EXETER	BOURGEAULT MARK	BOURGEAULT JENNIFER
08/17/06	LORD HAYDEN HOLT	EXETER	LORD MATTHEW	LORD KELLY
08/26/06	KANE GWENIVERE LILIAN	EXETER		WISWELL AMANDA
08/26/06	REICHERT ALLISON G	EXETER	REICHERT STEVEN	REICHERT ANNE
09/01/06	BRUDER COLBY SHARON	EXETER	BRUDER CHARLES	BRUDER KAITLYN
09/02/06	MURPHY LOGAN JAMES	PORTSMOUTH	MURPHY DECLAN	MURPHY MICHELLE
09/06/06	RUSSELL TYLER JAMES	PORTSMOUTH	RUSSELL MICHAEL	RUSSELL COURTNEY
09/08/06	MARSH ETHAN THOMAS	PORTSMOUTH	MARSH NORMAN	MARSH DONNA
09/15/06	DE IONGH MILES JACOB	DOVER	DE IONGH PAUL	DE IONGH KATHRYN
09/19/06	PEARSON MIA PATRICIA	EXETER	PEARSON MATHEW	PEARSON LISA
09/22/06	RITZ SAVANNA ELENA	PORTSMOUTH	RITZ GREGORY	RITZ SHERRI
09/27/06	MAYOTTE JESSE RAYMOND	PORTSMOUTH	MAYOTTE JACOB	FEENER KIMBERLY
10/05/06	DALTON JOSHUA CHOL	EXETER	DALTON JOSEPH	KIM JENNIFER
10/16/06	FORGY CAELUM MARCUS	PORTSMOUTH	FORGY JEFFREY	FORGY EMILY
10/24/06	YIM AUSTIN JOHN	PORTSMOUTH	YIM JUSTIN	YIM MELISSA

DEATH REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

DECEDENT'S NAME	DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
HALLINAN PAUL	01/03/06	STRATHAM	HALLINAN SR JAMES	LAVOIE GERALDINE
HARRIS SR ROGER	01/06/06	STRATHAM	HARRIS PERCY	HULT HELEN
WEISMAN EDITH	01/29/06	EXETER	POTTER HARRY	BERLIN BESSIE
CANNER EDITH	01/29/06	LEE	ELDRIDGE FRANCIS	PAVONE LAURETTA
BRESLIN RUTH	02/04/06	PORTSMOUTH	CROMBIE RAYMOND	CURRIER GRACE
SIMONS RONALD	03/09/06	PORTSMOUTH	SIMONS RUSSELL	PERKINS SUSIE
ROMENS BRADLEY	03/18/06	EXETER	ROMENS RONALD	MANNING ANN
SCAMMAN-RAWSON RYAN	04/15/06	STRATHAM	RAWSON STEPHEN	SCAMMAN KELLY
RUSSELL JANET	04/24/06	EXETER	MACDOUGALL ANGUS	GILLIS MARGARET
VICKERY DANIEL	06/05/06	BRENTWOOD	VICKERY WALTER	BELL EDITH
NELSON ELEANOR	06/28/06	EXETER	PERKINS ROGER	AMARAL MARY
COLEMAN MARJORIE	07/09/06	DOVER	WILLOUGHBY GUY	PATTERSON ANNA
BARBARA-BOHN JOANNA	07/23/06	CONCORD	BARBARA GENNARO	BOLTA SUSAN
NELSON DOROTHY	08/30/06	DOVER	HURD MORRIS	GOLDEN SARAH
STEINER MARY	09/04/06	RYE	SCHMIDT ANTHONY	NUCE PAULINE
BAYER ERNESTINE	09/10/06	EXETER	STEPPACHER HENRY	BOBB ROSETTA
LAMPHIER JAMES	10/10/06	DOVER	LAMPHIER JAMES	MERRITT NORA
BILLY GEORGE	10/22/06	EXETER	BILLY GEORGE	BENEDICT HELEN
FAY GARDNER	10/26/06	EXETER	FAY ARTHUR	WHEELWRIGHT MILDRED
WINSHEIMER LORRAINE	12/08/06	PORTSMOUTH	GEBERTH JACOB	REEHL LOUISE

MARRIAGE REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
CARR TOM	STRATHAM NH	RUDAKOVA, YELENA	BROOKLINE MA	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	01/28/06
THEBERGE JOSEPH M	STRATHAM NH	BOYD TERESA A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	HAMPTON	02/11/06
KERRIGAN GEORGE J	DALEVILLE AL	HERMAN ALICE E	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	GREENLAND	03/19/06
SHAW TIMOTHY B	STRATHAM NH	MUSCARA AMANDA V	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	05/06/06
WILKINSON KEITH A	STRATHAM NH	ALLEN DANA M	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	06/03/06
PAPPAJOHN TIMOTHY J	STRATHAM NH	SMITH SANDRA S	NEWMARKET NH	NEWMARKET	SURRY	06/24/06
HIGGINBOTHAM ALAN B	STRATHAM NH	TISCHLER CHERYL A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	06/24/06
DOUGLAS MATTHEW J	N HAMPTON NH	BOURGEAULT DENISE R	STRATHAM NH	N HAMPTON	HAMPTON FALLS	06/24/06
HUNTRESS STEPHEN E	STRATHAM NH	MUIR-WEEKS CHRISTINE M	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	RYE	07/07/06
FIASCONE JAMES A	STRATHAM NH	RIESER-KELLY M	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	BEDFORD	07/16/06
MULLIKIN JOSHUA M	GREENLAND NH	PERRY ELIZABETH M	STRATHAM NH	GREENLAND	PORTSMOUTH	07/23/06
KRAMER SCOTT A	STRATHAM NH	WATERS STACY M	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	HAMPTON	07/29/06
BENTON CHRISTOPHER B	FARMINGTON CT	SENGER LISA M	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	EXETER	07/29/06
TAYLOR SCOTT J	STRATHAM NH	SAWIN CAROLYN P	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	MOULTONBOROUGH	07/30/06
LARRABEE MATTHEW E	STRATHAM NH	O'HARA KRISTIN M	GREENLAND NH	GREENLAND	GREENLAND	08/05/06
LAGASSE TUCKER	NEWFIELDS NH	BRADLEY NICOLLE M	STRATHAM NH	NEWFIELDS	RYE	08/05/06
TAYLOR JOHN S	STRATHAM NH	GALINDO-BEAUMONT LOREN	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	RYE	08/12/06
EBERT DIETER T	STRATHAM NH	LUPOLI RACHEL A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	RYE BEACH	08/19/06
BLANCHETTE BRIAN S	STRATHAM NH	STONE MARA B	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	EXETER	08/19/06
DERWIECKI JOSEPH	STRATHAM NH	DEARBORN FAITH A	PORTSMOUTH NH	STRATHAM	STRATHAM	08/22/06
EBERT JOSEPH M	STRATHAM NH	MISIASZEK KELLIE A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	RYE BEACH	08/25/06
FISHER JESS F	OVERLAND PARKS KS	DOLD ANNA K	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	STRATHAM	08/26/06
AGNEW ROBERT O	STRATHAM NH	HENNEMANN LISA L	STRATHAM NH	PORTSMOUTH	STRATHAM	08/28/06

GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
DIMARIANO EUGENE A	STRATHAM NH	SMITH WENDY A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	STRATHAM	09/09/06
LEFEBVRE JOHN S	STRATHAM NH	SMITH KRISTIN L	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	09/16/06
CAMMARATA MICHAEL A	STRATHAM NH	GREEN JULIE R	STRATHAM NH	PORTSMOUTH	EXETER	09/16/06
HAMPE JOEL S	STRATHAM NH	HASKELL LAURA A	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	KINGSTON	09/23/06
GULLOTTI JONATHAN M	STRATHAM NH	CARMICHAEL SHELLEY D	LYNNFIELD MA	STRATHAM	MOULTONBOROUGH	09/30/06
WALSH KEITH P	STRATHAM NH	DE YESO CHRISTINA M	STRATHAM NH	DOVER	DOVER	11/02/06
MOORE BRIAN G	STRATHAM NH	WALLACE JOANNE D	GREENLAND NH	N HAMPTON	BARTLETT	11/18/06
LAURENT CRAIG S	STRATHAM NH	PORTER JENNIFER L	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	STRATHAM	11/24/06
FURBER EDMUND B	STRATHAM NH	BRADFORD FRANCES J	STRATHAM NH	STRATHAM	PORTSMOUTH	12/07/06

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Luke Breton	Term Expires 2008
Jim Dubela	Term Expires 2008
John Hazekamp	Term Expires 2009

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Stratham School Board Report
2006-07

The Stratham Memorial School (SMS) Board works to provide a quality education for Stratham students through the collective efforts of the administration, teachers, support staff, and Office of the Superintendent. Generous support from the taxpayers of Stratham makes our efforts possible.

We are in the second year of statewide testing under the "No Child Left Behind" law. The results show that SMS is among the best elementary schools in the state of New Hampshire, if not the best. It takes work on everyone's part, including the entire Stratham community, to reach this level of accomplishment. It doesn't happen over night. Thank you.

SMS makes every effort to prepare students for the high-stakes New England Common Assessment Program test, which is mandatory under the "No Child Left Behind" law. The basic construct of this law is that every child must continuously improve throughout his or her educational life. As the law is written, every school will eventually "fail" because of how sub-groups of children in the school are measured. If a few children from one of these groups do not test well on any part (math, reading, writing), the "failing" label may apply. Yet a "failing" school under "No Child Left Behind" does not mean that a school isn't performing well. To date, SMS has avoided that label.

We ran out of room in the school this year. As a result we added a modular structure with two classrooms adjacent to the school. When SMS opened in 1989 it did not anticipate the many computers expected today in our children's education. More square feet are also required per student today because of compliance with new federally regulated programming. The need for additional space is not due to an increase in our student population. Board member John Hazekamp prepared a "Space Needs" brochure detailing the history of added programs at the school and the factors leading to our current state of affairs. Since we want to get a better sense of our strategy for space planning, the "SMS Vision Committee" is being empanelled to advise the Board on this matter. Recommendations from that committee to the Board are expected in late 2007.

As you have likely experienced, utility costs have exploded. In order to better manage these costs, we have entered into a bid contract for our electricity at a rate below ten cents per kilowatt. We are participating with the Exeter Cooperative School District in bidding for and buying oil. We also had the school re-lamped with more energy efficient fixtures, with Unitil reimbursing about half the cost.

An excellent school helps maximize local property values. The School Board is working to balance educational costs with their impact on taxes. We are aware that most Stratham taxpayers do not have children in the schools and that we have a responsibility to keep Stratham affordable for all residents. If you have questions or comments, SMS Board meetings occur on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30PM in the SMS library. All are welcome to attend and participate.

Robert E. O'Sullivan – Chairperson
February 7, 2007

SCHOOL WARRANT
STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Stratham, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Center in said District on the thirteenth (13th) day of March, 2007 between the hours of eight o'clock in the morning (8:00AM) and eight o'clock in the evening (8:00PM) to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose one (1) Member of the School Board for the ensuing three (3) years.

2. To choose one (1) Member of the School Board for the ensuing two (2) years.

3. To choose a School District Moderator for the ensuing three (3) years.

4. To choose a School District Treasurer for the ensuing three (3) years.

Given under our hands at said Stratham on this 7th day of February, 2007.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TRUE COPY OF WARRANT – ATTEST:
STRATHAM SCHOOL BOARD

SCHOOL WARRANT
STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Stratham, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Memorial School in said District on the ninth (9th) day of March, 2007 at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00pm) to act on the following subjects:

1. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,298,610.00 for the support of the schools, for payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the School District, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

2. To see if the School District will vote to authorize the School Board to accept the donation of land (commonly known as Tax Map 6, Lot 8) abutting the Stratham Memorial School (commonly known as Tax Map 12, Lot 16) from the Estate of Jane Piper and/or Stanley Kolomitsky and Sonya Wiggin on such terms and conditions as the School Board determines are in the best interest of the District.

3. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratham on this 7th day of February, 2007.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TRUE COPY OF WARRANT – ATTEST:
STRATHAM SCHOOL BOARD

MS-26

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF: STRATHAM NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1.Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): 7 FEB 2007

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Please sign in ink.

Robert E. O'Sullivan Jr

James Rubels

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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/05 to 6/30/06	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		2,521,970.49	2,648,767	2,771,478	
1200-1299	Special Programs		962,441.72	1,132,172	1,233,756	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs		1,215.45	5,475	5,530	
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs					
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		639,920.12	767,794	788,654	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		606,878.74	672,923	752,520	
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2310 840	School Board Contingency					
2310-2399	Other School Board		23,217.44	29,150	30,300	
	EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services		223,689.00	246,130	259,942	
2320-2399	All Other Administration			1,500		
2400-2499	School Administration Service		315,900.34	338,751	344,100	
2500-2599	Business					
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		331,419.76	394,616	418,324	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		276,085.85	372,523	379,522	
2800-2999	Support Service, Central & Other		1,394,382.77	1,557,565	1,697,755	
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES			164,978	178,560	
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		94,809.00	30,621	34,621	
	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal		385,000.00	380,000.00	370,000.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest		72,562.50	52,928.00	33,548.00	
	FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service					
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue					
5230-5239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves					
5252	To Expendable Trust (*see pg 3)					
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Agency Funds					
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.			18,300		
	SUPPLEMENTAL					
	DEFICIT					
	SUBTOTAL 1		7,849,493.18	8,814,193	9,298,610	

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER DETAIL:

* Amount of line 5252 which is for Health Maintenance Trust $_____(see RSA 198:20-c, V)

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warrant Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warrant Art. #	Amount

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds ; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/__ to 6/30/__	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriati s Ensuing F (NOT RECOMME ED)
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXX		XXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the currer year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Expenditures for Year 7/1/__ to 6/30/__	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriati Ensuing F (NOT RECOMME ED)
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXX		XXXXXXXX

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
	REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
1300-1349	Tuition		21,632.65	10,000.00	10,000.00
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		38,771.78	18,000.00	30,000.00
1600-1699	Food Service Sales			139,978.00	150,060.00
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		363.25		
	REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	School Building Aid		125,012.93	127,925.00	126,425.00
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid		27,915.79	20,000.00	20,000.00
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition			2,200.00	2,600.00
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
	REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants				
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition			22,800.00	25,900.00
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution		47,205.44	20,000.00	20,000.00
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds				

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.		**XXXXXXXXX**	**XXXXXXXXX**	**XXXXXXXXX**
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
	ERCSD - BUY OUT		31,691.49	31,691.00	0.00
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY_____less RAN, Revenue Last FY_____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		97,864.00	155,024.00	100,000.00
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		390,457.33	547,618.00	484,985.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Current Year	Ensuing Year
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	8,814,193.00	9,298,610.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	0.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	8,814,193.00	9,298,610.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	(547,618.00)	(484,985.00)
Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant	(549,484.00)	(549,484.00)
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	7,717,091.00	8,264,141.00

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET WORKSHEET 2007-2008

FUNCTION -OBJECT	2/6/2007 DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ADOPTED 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008	$$ + / -
1000	**INSTRUCTION**					
1100-110	TEACHER SALARIES	2,193,299.00	2,237,192.92	2,318,517.00	2,457,747.00	139,230.00
1100-120	SALARIES OF TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES	63,000.00	57,123.50	66,150.00	66,150.00	0.00
1100-125	PROFESSIONAL SVS FOR 504 PROGRAM	12,000.00	2,928.76	12,000.00	10,000.00	(2,000.00)
1100-141	PROVISION FOR RETIRE / SICK ACCRUAL	0.00	0.00	45,200.00	24,600.00	(20,600.00)
1100-321	PROFESSIONAL SVS FOR INSTRUCTION	400.00	300.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
1100-328	PROFESSIONAL SVS FOR KDG SCREENING	725.00	417.39	851.00	863.00	12.00
1100-329	PROFESSIONAL SVS FOR CURR. DEV.	7,500.00	5,777.00	6,500.00	15,000.00	8,500.00
1100-610	GENERAL TEACHING SUPPLIES	47,100.00	45,675.48	46,230.00	45,930.00	(300.00)
1100-641	BOOKS AND OTHER PRINT MEDIA	42,801.00	49,033.90	43,819.00	47,500.00	3,681.00
1100-642	A.V. MATERIALS	3,360.00	6,479.70	5,703.00	5,506.00	(197.00)
1100-733	NEW FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	9,625.00	19,009.70	6,743.00	6,388.00	(355.00)
1100-737	REPLACEMENT FURNITURE & FIXTURES	14,762.00	14,086.79	13,130.00	9,051.00	(4,079.00)
1100-739	EQUIPMENT	6,904.00	12,496.28	6,791.00	2,611.00	(4,180.00)
	TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION	**2,401,476.00**	**2,450,521.42**	**2,572,234.00**	**2,691,946.00**	**119,712.00**
1110	**ENRICHMENT**					
1110-110	ENRICHMENT COORDINATOR	65,007.00	65,007.36	68,258.00	71,057.00	2,799.00
1110-320	CONTRACTED SERVICES	5,500.00	4,420.00	5,600.00	5,950.00	350.00
1110-610	GENERAL TEACHING SUPPLIES	1,000.00	481.98	1,075.00	875.00	(200.00)
1110-641	BOOKS AND OTHER PRINTED MEDIA	1,000.00	411.39	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
1110-739	EQUIPMENT	1,200.00	1,128.34	600.00	650.00	50.00
	TOTAL ENRICHMENT	**73,707.00**	**71,449.07**	**76,533.00**	**79,532.00**	**2,999.00**
1200	**SPECIAL EDUCATION**					
1210-111	SALARIES OF S.E. DIRECTOR	80,025.00	81,046.13	83,997.00	87,530.00	3,533.00
1210-110	SALARIES OF S.E. TCHRS	393,252.00	398,217.20	416,247.00	447,976.00	31,729.00
1210-115	SALARIES OR S.E. SECRETARY	27,240.00	29,729.99	30,525.00	31,770.00	1,245.00
1210-118	SALARIES OF S.E. AIDES	401,485.00	370,615.90	461,720.00	467,750.00	6,030.00
1210-125	SALARIES OF S.E. TUTORS	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
1210-126	SALARY OF PRESCHOOL COORDINATOR	15,989.00	14,532.00	16,726.00	17,430.00	704.00
1210-331	RELATED SERVICES FOR S.E.	19,455.00	13,605.05	20,455.00	32,500.00	12,045.00
1210-534	POSTAGE - S.E.	1,000.00	565.00	900.00	800.00	(100.00)
1210-561	S.E. TUITION - PUBLIC N.H.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1210-562	S.E. TUITION - OUTSIDE N.H.	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
1210-563	S.E. TUITION - PRIVATE N.H.	15,000.00	2,200.00	15,000.00	65,000.00	50,000.00
1210-569	S.E. TUITION - EXTENDED YEAR PROGRAM	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00
1210-580	S.E. TRAVEL	450.00	592.80	450.00	600.00	150.00
1210-610	S.E. GENERAL SUPPLIES	7,070.00	6,034.12	8,800.00	8,484.00	(316.00)
1210-641	S.E. BOOKS & OTHER PRINTED MEDIA	4,410.00	3,468.62	3,083.00	3,441.00	358.00
1210-642	S.E. AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	9,523.00	7,965.29	12,328.00	2,520.00	(9,808.00)
1210-733	S.E. FURNITURE	3,061.00	3,055.23	1,510.00	1,200.00	(310.00)
1210-737	S.E. REPLACEMENT OF FURNITURE & FIXTURES	776.00	748.30	900.00	500.00	(400.00)
1210-738	S.E. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	6,745.00	6,041.27	3,512.00	9,072.00	5,560.00
1210-739	EQUIPMENT	1,796.00	23,084.82	5,838.00	6,508.00	670.00
1210-750	SOFTWARE	1,518.00	940.00	1,681.00	2,175.00	494.00
	TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	**1,037,295.00**	**962,441.72**	**1,132,172.00**	**1,233,756.00**	**101,584.00**

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET WORKSHEET 2007-2008

FUNCTION -OBJECT	2/6/2007 DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ADOPTED 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008	$$ +/-
1400	**OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS**					
1410-110	CO-CURRICULAR SALARIES	500.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
1410-800	STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES	915.00	256.75	1,225.00	1,280.00	55.00
1430-320	AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM	3,500.00	958.70	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
	TOTAL OTHER INSTR. PROGRAMS	**4,915.00**	**1,215.45**	**5,475.00**	**5,530.00**	**55.00**
2120	**GUIDANCE SERVICES**					
2120-110	GUIDANCE SALARIES	103,105.00	103,105.63	108,162.00	112,515.00	4,353.00
2120-321	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR GUIDANCE	4,800.00	7,135.76	5,780.00	6,320.00	540.00
2120-610	GENERAL SUPPLIES FOR GUIDANCE	1,082.00	1,075.79	1,292.00	1,435.00	143.00
	TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES	**108,987.00**	**111,317.18**	**115,234.00**	**120,270.00**	**5,036.00**
2130	**HEALTH SERVICES**					
2130-110	HEALTH SALARIES	57,245.00	57,770.53	60,033.00	62,933.00	2,900.00
2130-121	SALARIES OF ASST' NURSE	12,043.00	11,712.00	15,095.00	15,710.00	615.00
2130-320	PROF. SVS - HEALTH	50,730.00	27,951.54	60,450.00	60,000.00	(450.00
2130-321	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
2130-430	HEALTH -REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	130.00	0.00	130.00	130.00	0.00
2130-610	HEALTH-GENERAL SUPPLIES	1,500.00	1,263.54	1,650.00	1,500.00	(150.00
2130-641	HEALTH-BOOKS AND OTHER PRINTED MEDIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2130-739	EQUIPMENT - HEALTH SVS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	**121,748.00**	**98,697.61**	**137,458.00**	**140,373.00**	**2,915.00**
2138	**HEARING SERVICES**					
2138-321	HEARING SERVICES	34,650.00	1,584.00	37,710.00	38,610.00	900.00
	TOTAL HEARING SERVICES	**34,650.00**	**1,584.00**	**37,710.00**	**38,610.00**	**900.00**
2139	**VISION SERVICES**					
2139-321	VISION SERVICES	6,300.00	10,236.00	17,325.00	17,775.00	450.00
	TOTAL VISION SERVICES	**6,300.00**	**10,236.00**	**17,325.00**	**17,775.00**	**450.00**
2140	**PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**					
2140-110	PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES - Spec Ed 80%	52,806.00	52,805.89	55,406.00	57,846.00	2,440.00
2140-111	PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES - Reg Ed 20%	13,201.00	13,201.47	13,852.00	14,461.00	609.00
	TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	**66,007.00**	**66,007.36**	**69,258.00**	**72,307.00**	**3,049.00**
2150	**SPEECH PATHOLOGY SERVICES**					
2150-110	SPEECH PATHOLOGIST SALARIES	137,364.00	132,602.72	144,366.00	142,614.00	(1,752.00
2150-111	INTERPRETER - ORAL TRANSLATOR	24,786.00	24,149.79	33,090.00	35,240.00	2,150.00
2150-118	SPEECH ASSISTANT SALARIES	43,177.00	41,571.00	45,125.00	46,980.00	1,855.00
2150-321	RELATED SPEECH SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES	**205,327.00**	**198,323.51**	**222,581.00**	**224,834.00**	**2,253.00**

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET WORKSHEET 2007-2008

FUNCTION -OBJECT	2/6/2007 DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ADOPTED 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008	$$ + / -
2160	**PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES**					
2160-110	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	112,661.00	111,147.46	119,092.00	123,431.00	4,339.00
2160-118	C.O.T.A. SALARIES	28,892.00	25,157.00	27,576.00	28,710.00	1,134.00
2160-321	PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES	21,492.00	17,450.00	21,560.00	22,344.00	784.00
	TOTAL PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES	**163,045.00**	**153,754.46**	**168,228.00**	**174,485.00**	**6,257.00**
2210	**IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION SERVICES**					
2210-118	AIDES SALARIES	339,374.00	345,289.50	369,570.00	413,030.00	43,460.00
2210-125	TUTOR SALARIES	8,150.00	4,067.75	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
2210-322	PROF. SVS/REG INSTR. IMPROVEMENT	38,000.00	46,833.43	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
2210-323	PROF. SVS/REG INSTR. IMPROV - PARAS	5,000.00	1,996.58	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
2219-329	PROF. SVS/S.E. INSTR. IMPROVEMENT	2,400.00	1,349.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	500.00
	TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTR. SVS.	**392,924.00**	**399,536.26**	**426,070.00**	**470,030.00**	**43,960.00**
2222	**SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES**					
2222-110	MEDIA SALARIES	66,257.00	66,257.00	69,758.00	72,557.00	2,799.00
2222-118	MEDIA AIDES SALARIES	9,673.00	9,689.60	10,379.00	10,800.00	421.00
2222-321	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - MEDIA	375.00	375.00	375.00	375.00	0.00
2222-430	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE - MEDIA	1,499.00	813.26	1,499.00	1,499.00	0.00
2222-610	GENERAL SUPPLIES - MEDIA	766.00	1,041.20	968.00	779.00	(189.00)
2222-641	BOOKS AND OTHER PRINTED MEDIA	5,619.00	5,309.18	5,599.00	5,638.00	39.00
2222-642	AUDIO VISUAL MATERIALS	1,200.00	1,201.71	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
2222-733	MEDIA FURNITURE	724.00	611.59	477.00	270.00	(207.00)
2222-737	REPL. OF MEDIA EQUIPMENT	966.00	875.00	1,003.00	520.00	(483.00)
2222-739	MEDIA EQUIPMENT	480.00	467.35	340.00	0.00	(340.00)
	TOTAL LIBRARY SERVICES	**87,559.00**	**86,640.89**	**91,598.00**	**93,638.00**	**2,040.00**
2225	**COMPUTER - ASSISTED INSTRUCTION SVS**					
2225-110	COMPUTER TECH. SALARIES	55,971.00	55,972.00	58,771.00	50,000.00	(8,771.00)
2225-111	COMPUTER EDUCATION TEACHER SALARY	0.00	0.00	40,384.00	71,507.00	31,123.00
2225-118	TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	9,101.00	8,395.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
2225-430	COMPUTER REPAIRS	7,000.00	5,623.22	7,000.00	8,500.00	1,500.00
2225-444	COMPUTERS - LEASE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2225-531	VOICE COMMUNICATIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2225-610	COMPUTER TEACHING MATERIALS	19,200.00	17,519.60	21,770.00	25,245.00	3,475.00
2225-642	A.V. MATERIALS	2,750.00	4,200.00	2,750.00	6,400.00	3,650.00
2225-734	COMPUTER AND COMMUN. NETW. EQUIP	28,000.00	28,991.00	24,580.00	27,200.00	2,620.00
	TOTAL COMPUTER-ASSISTED INSTR.	**122,022.00**	**120,701.59**	**155,255.00**	**188,852.00**	**33,597.00**
2310	**SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN.**					
2310-110	SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS SALARIES	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00
2312-110	DISTRICT SECRETARY/CLERK SERVICES	100.00	0.00	100.00	1,000.00	900.00
2313-110	DISTRICT TREASURER SERVICES	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
2314-120	ELECTION SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2317-321	AUDIT SERVICES	5,750.00	7,300.00	7,250.00	7,500.00	250.00
2318-321	LEGAL SERVICES	9,000.00	3,756.58	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
2319-319	SCHOOL BOARD EXPENSES	3,400.00	2,945.81	3,400.00	3,400.00	0.00
2319-810	SCHOOL BOARD DUES - NHSBA	3,200.00	3,015.05	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00
	TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES - GENERAL ADMIN.	**27,650.00**	**23,217.44**	**29,150.00**	**30,300.00**	**1,150.00**

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET WORKSHEET 2007-2008

FUNCTION -OBJECT	2/6/2007 DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ADOPTED 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008	$$ +/-
2320	**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT SVS.**					
2321-319	OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	223,689.00	223,689.00	246,130.00	259,942.00	13,812.0
2322-321	SEACOAST ED. SVS. EXPENSE	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	(1,500.0
	TOTAL OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT SV	**225,189.00**	**223,689.00**	**247,630.00**	**259,942.00**	**12,312.0**
2400	**SUPPORT SVS - SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**					
2410-110	OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL - SALARIES	87,410.00	87,406.00	91,800.00	95,540.00	3,740.0
2410-121	OFFICE OF THE ASST. PRIN. - SALARIES	69,965.00	67,500.00	70,875.00	73,790.00	2,915.0
2410-130	FACULTY ADVISORS	5,400.00	4,850.00	5,400.00	5,400.00	0.0
2410-115	SECRETARY SALARIES	97,483.00	97,020.12	101,636.00	105,970.00	4,334.0
2410-321	PROF. SVS FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	16,750.00	21,875.95	16,750.00	16,750.00	0.0
2410-430	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,750.00	1,911.30	6,750.00	6,750.00	0.0
2410-531	VOICE COMMUNICATIONS	6,800.00	8,136.13	6,800.00	6,800.00	0.0
2410-532	DATA COMMUNICATIONS	4,600.00	2,439.50	6,460.00	2,000.00	(4,460.0
2410-534	POSTAGE FEES	2,000.00	2,230.61	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.0
2410-580	TRAVEL	500.00	433.68	500.00	500.00	0.0
2410-585	AUTO LEASE	0.00	5,318.33	7,200.00	7,200.00	0.0
2410-610	GENERAL SUPPLIES	7,500.00	4,016.87	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.0
2410-737	FURNITURE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
2410-739	EQUIPMENT	1,500.00	1,671.99	3,520.00	1,500.00	(2,020.0
2410-810	DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS	1,500.00	1,550.00	1,560.00	1,600.00	40.0
2410-890	MISCELLANEOUS	9,700.00	9,539.86	10,000.00	10,800.00	800.0
	TOTAL SUPPORT SVS - SCHOOL ADMIN.	**312,858.00**	**315,900.34**	**338,751.00**	**344,100.00**	**5,349.0**
2600	**OPERATION OF PLANT**					
2610-119	MAINTENANCE SALARIES	46,640.00	49,576.00	53,096.00	56,380.00	3,284.0
2610-122	ASST. MAINTENANCE SALARIES	89,433.00	87,131.39	88,446.00	94,960.00	6,514.0
2620-430	REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	38,250.00	43,046.71	42,350.00	43,070.00	720.0
2620-521	SMP INSURANCE	19,720.00	21,751.98	24,700.00	33,440.00	8,740.0
2620-522	LIABILITY INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
2620-523	TREASURER'S BOND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
2620-524	NURSE'S LIABLITY INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	274.00	274.00	0.0
2620-610	GENERAL SUPPLIES	15,650.00	17,012.04	17,850.00	18,700.00	850.0
2620-622	ELECTRICITY	73,000.00	65,641.75	115,000.00	110,000.00	(5,000.0
2620-623	LP GAS	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.0
2620-624	FUEL OIL	19,000.00	31,325.63	35,000.00	40,000.00	5,000.0
2620-733	REPLACEMENT OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMT	700.00	1,895.13	700.00	1,300.00	600.0
2620-737	FURNITURE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
2620-739	EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
	TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT	**302,393.00**	**317,380.63**	**377,416.00**	**401,124.00**	**23,708.0**
2630	**CARE OF GROUNDS**					
2630-421	TRASH REMOVAL	4,000.00	4,419.20	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.0
2630-422	MOWING SERVICES	10,800.00	9,619.93	11,400.00	11,400.00	0.0
2630-423	MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.0
	TOTAL CARE OF GROUNDS	**14,800.00**	**14,039.13**	**17,200.00**	**17,200.00**	**0.0**
2700	**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**					
2721-519	DISTRICT CONTRACT	222,660.00	224,262.20	238,943.00	262,152.00	23,209.0
2722-511	SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION	87,318.00	46,012.07	123,880.00	106,180.00	(17,700.0
2725-519	FIELD TRIPS	7,500.00	5,811.58	9,700.00	11,190.00	1,490.0
	TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SVS	**317,478.00**	**276,085.85**	**372,523.00**	**379,522.00**	**6,999.0**

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET WORKSHEET 2007-2008

FUNCTION -OBJECT	2/6/2007 DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ADOPTED 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008	$$ + / -
2900	**SUPPORT SERVICES - OTHER**					
2900-211	HEALTH INSURANCE	754,057.00	783,217.19	903,580.00	938,970.00	35,390.00
2900-212	DENTAL INSURANCE	59,395.00	67,289.40	67,330.00	72,530.00	5,200.00
2900-213	LIFE INSURANCE	7,460.00	18,008.54	17,250.00	18,700.00	1,450.00
2900-214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	11,758.00	11,680.05	12,900.00	13,000.00	100.00
2900-220	FICA	356,830.00	354,504.81	387,820.00	411,250.00	23,430.00
2900-231	RETIREMENT - NON CERTIFIED	14,255.00	22,796.28	20,780.00	26,670.00	5,890.00
2900-232	RETIREMENT - CERTIFIED	113,235.00	121,606.90	123,610.00	191,740.00	68,130.00
2900-250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	3,759.00	3,965.00	3,400.00	4,000.00	600.00
2900-260	WORKERS COMPENSATION	17,752.00	11,314.60	20,895.00	20,895.00	0.00
	TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES - OTHER	**1,338,501.00**	**1,394,382.77**	**1,557,565.00**	**1,697,755.00**	**140,190.00**
5100	**DEBT SERVICE**					
5110-910	PRINCIPAL	385,000.00	385,000.00	380,000.00	370,000.00	(10,000.00)
5120-830	INTEREST	72,563.00	72,562.50	52,928.00	33,548.00	(19,380.00)
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	**457,563.00**	**457,562.50**	**432,928.00**	**403,548.00**	**(29,380.00)**
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	**7,822,394.00**	**7,754,684.18**	**8,600,294.00**	**9,085,429.00**	**485,135.00**
3110	**FOOD SERVICES**					
3110-570	FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT	156,658.00	0.00	164,978.00	178,560.00	13,582.00
	TOTAL FOOD SERVICES	**156,658.00**	**0.00**	**164,978.00**	**178,560.00**	**13,582.00**
4500	**BUILDING ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION**					
4500-710	SITE IMPROVEMENT	78,000.00	94,809.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
4500-720	MODULAR CLASSROOM	0.00	0.00	30,621.00	30,621.00	0.00
	TOTAL BLDG ACQ. AND CONSTR.	**78,000.00**	**94,809.00**	**30,621.00**	**34,621.00**	**4,000.00**
5310	**CHARTER SCHOOL**					
5310-535	TUITION TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL	0.00	0.00	18,300.00	0.00	(18,300.00)
	TOTAL CHARTER SCHOOL	**0.00**	**0.00**	**18,300.00**	**0.00**	**(18,300.00)**
	GRAND TOTALS	**8,057,052.00**	**7,849,493.18**	**8,814,193.00**	**9,298,610.00**	**484,417.00**
						5.50%

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

2007-2008 REVENUE PROJECTION

SOURCE OF REVENUE:	2005-2006 ACTUAL	2006-2007 BUDGET	2007-2008 PROPOSED
BALANCE (ACTUAL OR ESTIMATED)	$97,864.00	$155,024.00	$100,000.00
BUILDING AID	$125,012.93	$127,925.00	$126,425.00
FOUNDATION AID			
CHILD NUTRITION	$0.00	$164,978.00	$178,560.00
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	$38,771.78	$18,000.00	$30,000.00
IDEA GRANT - SE COSTS			
CATASTROPHIC AID	$27,915.79	$20,000.00	$20,000.00
MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENTS	$47,205.44	$20,000.00	$20,000.00
KINDERGARTEN AID			
TUITION	$21,632.65	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
EXETER REGION CO-OP / BUY-OUT	$31,691.49	$31,691.00	$0.00
OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	$363.25	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL REVENUES	**$390,457.33**	**$547,618.00**	**$484,985.00**
LESS: AMOUNT OF (~~COST OF ADEQUATE~~) EDUCATION EQUITY GRANT	**$549,484.00**	**$549,484.00**	**$549,484.00**
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	**$7,117,110.67**	**$7,717,091.00**	**$8,264,141.00**
TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED OR TO BE VOTED BY DISTRICT	**$8,057,052.00**	**$8,814,193.00**	**$9,298,610.00**

Form F4

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
COMPUTER & STATISTICAL SERVICES
CONCORD

Stratham
District

Please follow the accompanying instructions carefully.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the School District of Stratham

Fiscal Year July 1, 2005__ to June 30, 2006__ .

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 2005___ (Treasurer's bank balance)		525,599.84
Received from Selectmen (Include only amounts actually received)		
Current Appropriation	7,038,842.00	
Deficit Appropriation		
Balance of Previous Appropriations		
Advance on Next Year's Appropriations		
Revenue from State Sources	745,110.43	
Revenue from Federal Sources	28,681.30	
Received from Tuitions	21,632.65	
Received as income from Trust Funds		
Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds (Principal only)		
Revenue from Capital Reserve Funds		
Revenue from all Other Sources	327,399.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		8,161,665.88
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance and Receipts)		8,687,265.72
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID		(7,973,758.60)
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2006__ (Cash & Investment Balance)(Treasure's Bank Balance)		713,507.12

September 30, 2006
Date

Edward Geppner
District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of _____ of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2___ and find them correct in all respect.

Auditors

Date

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

2006-07

Teacher and Administrative Staff Under Contract

Adler, Susan	63,172.00	
Atherton, Diane	58,533.00	
Audet, Rebecca	39,835.00	
August, June	68,258.00	
Batchelder, Laura	59,205.00	
Blanchette-Goyette, Juliet	12,634.40	(20%)
Bowen-Irish, Teresa	35,119.80	(60%)
Caporello, Laurie	68,258.00	
Chartier, R.Melody	58,533.00	
Christilles, Tracey	68,258.00	
Craig, Deborah	68,258.00	
Driscoll, Margaret	45,888.00	(60%)
Dunnan, Judith	68,258.00	
Eitler, Judith	68,258.00	
Ellis, Jacqueline	65,632.00	
Fennessy, Debra	58,533.00	
Fosher, Tom	91,776.00	
Gagnon, Stephen	70,875.00	
Gaudet, Christine	68,258.00	
Gilman, Connie	63,172.00	
Griffith, Diane	37,903.20	(60%)
Guilbert, Nancy	65,632.00	
Hackett, Jennifer	65,632.00	
Hadfield, Karen	58,533.00	
Hale, Gwen	65,632.00	
Harrison, Gary	56,441.00	
Hazeltine, Mary Ann	59,205.00	
Henson, Cathy	68,258.00	
Jenness, Maryann	68,258.00	
Kelly, Elizabeth	30,775.20	(60%)
Langhorst, Kathryn	48,065.00	
Larson, Bruce	68,258.00	
Lee, Donna	63,172.00	
Leonard, Anne	68,258.00	
Lewald-Ratta, Cindy	37,903.20	(60%)
Lewis, Judy	58,533.00	
MacLean-Smith, Cheryl	63,172.00	
Maher, Donna	68,258.00	
Mastin, Melissa	50,852.00	
McPherson, Cynthia	68,258.00	

Megan, Sue	68,258.00	
Miller, Suzette	63,172.00	
Moreno, Laurie	40,954.80	(60%)
Morrison, Linda	68,258.00	
Noyes-Hand, Laurie	63,172.00	
O'Connor, Marylou	68,258.00	
Palmer, Mary Ellen	45,888.00	(60%)
Parsons, Lynn	68,258.00	
Pinsonnault, Karen	53,805.00	
Ragazzo, Larissa	40,383.00	
Robinson, Patricia	52,635.00	
Schulz, Patricia	52,635.00	
Silvester, Kerry	55,958.00	
Spencer, Frank	68,258.00	
Spencer, Mary Jo	58,770.60	
Stringham, Carol	40,973.10	(70%)
Sullivan, Kristen	56,441.00	
Tierney, Janis	68,258.00	
Tuveson, Carol	68,258.00	
Wansart, Cathy	68,258.00	
Warner, Cathy	58,533.00	
Wigode, Lucinda	68,258.00	

At the date of printing, the Stratham School District had not received a **Management Letter** from our auditor, **Dumais & Ferland CPA, LLC**.

The process of annual compliance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 has increased the time necessary to complete all elements of the government-wide financial statements.

The School District does expect to have the Management Letter available for review at the School District Meeting on **March 9, 2007**.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

STRATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOOL

39 Gifford Farm Road
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Thomas J. Fosher
Principal

Margaret E. Driscoll
Director of Special Services

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Regular Education Report
January 16, 2007

School commenced on August 29th with 618 students entering the doors of Stratham Memorial School. They were welcomed by our staff members, and the process for beginning or building a well-rounded educational experience was under way. Having at least five sections of each grade level, Kindergarten through grade five, it provided a learning ratio of 1 adult to 5 children.

No Child Left Behind continues to impact our school, with the school achieving above the State level on the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) that students in grades three, four, five, and six are administered in the early fall. Programs the school focused upon were Sitton Spelling, Write Traits, Guided Reading, and the development of a formalized handwriting curriculum. These programs were implemented across all grade levels integrating the subject matter whenever possible. Ms. Beth Kelly was hired as a part-time Special Educator for Early Childhood Education, while Mrs. Larissa Ragazzo accepted the position of first grade educator and Melissa Mastin was introduced as the new multiage teacher.

The faculty focused on refining the school portfolio and infusing technology standards into our curriculum. Professional development opportunities centered on instructional practices, current trends in higher order thinking, developmentally appropriate programming, and technology. The school achieved 3rd place for its website as outlined by NH.com. The staff was recognized for their efforts and contributions with homework pages, personal pages, and various learning links.

The school was able to offer many programs to enhance the learning of all children. Highlighting some of these programs included The New Hampshire Theatre Project, DestiNation ImagiNation, Lego League, Author and Illustrator Scott Nash, Robotics, Cross-Country, Foreign Language (French/Spanish), and Jeff Warner. Field Trips enriching the curriculum took us to many places. Among the sites of special interest were Squam Lakes Science Center, Portland Symphony, Old Yorke Historical Society, New England Aquarium, and Freedom Trail.

It was a year that the school continued to be recognized by peers in various organizations. SMS received the Blue Ribbon Volunteer Award, Coolest Web Site (3rd place), Citation from Governor John Lynch, and faculty designated Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

The invitation to stop by and visit always exists to the general public. Other information about SMS may be obtained at www.sau16.org. On behalf of the entire school community, thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas J. Fosher

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Stratham Memorial School Special Education Report

At Stratham Memorial School, we continue to provide special education services to students with educational disabilities in accordance with both federal and state laws. The federal law and the *NH Rules for the Education of Children with Disabilities,* mandate that students from 3-21 years of age with "educational" disabilities receive a free, appropriate, public education (FAPE), in the least restrictive environment in which their Individual Education Programs (IEPs) can be implemented.

On August 14, 2006, the final draft of IDEA 2004 was published in the Federal Register, and went into effect two months later. Since July an ad hoc legislative study group has met to offer input into how the state might implement the new revisions. The New Hampshire legislature recently began their work reviewing the federal law including topics such as definitions, IEP content, and rules that are in excess of and rules that more specifically define federal requirements. Public hearings regarding these proposed changes will be occurring this spring. It is anticipated that the final rules will be published no later than June 30, 2007.

Under IDEA 2004, there continues to be thirteen categories of educational disabilities that could qualify a child to receive special education services. Eligibility for services is the decision of the evaluation team, a group comprised of certified evaluators, the child's teacher, and the child's parents. Stratham Memorial School stresses the importance of gathering and charting curriculum based data as well as standardized information from all team members so that participants can gain insight into each referred child's learning style, abilities, and needs. Each child's response to instructional interventions prior to referral is also considered by the team, specifically as this relates to the identification of students with learning disabilities.

Important changes in IDEA 2004 are the requirements for students who are enrolled in private and charter schools. Under these revisions, Stratham School District is responsible for referrals and evaluations of students suspected of having educational handicaps who are enrolled in private schools within the community. We are also responsible for implementing IEPs for Stratham students enrolled in charter schools. These responsibilities are influencing staffing patterns and role definitions.

This year the SAU has undertaken new initiatives regarding data management. Case managers have received ongoing training and technical assistance in the use of a software system to manage special education data. This was necessitated by the NHDOE's shift to a new data system now known as NHSEIS, and has resulted in a different format for required documents. In addition, as of November 1, 2006, the US Dept. of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) has requested each state to collect progress data regarding targeted preschool outcomes for young students who are newly identified. We will enter this data into the assessment's web-based interactive system.

Collaborating with staff and parents to promote an effective special education team process for each child continues to be our focus. During the 05-06 school year, we held 296 team meetings with parents to discuss each child's eligibility for services, individual program needs, placement, and progress. Numerous informal conversations also occur regularly to build home/school partnerships. We welcome parental participation in this process as we work together to improve each student's academic and social development in the school setting.

Margaret E. Driscoll
Co-Director of Special Services

Mary Ellen Palmer
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STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

PREVIOUS TWO FISCAL YEARS PER RSA 32:11-a

SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES		2004-2005	2005-2006
1210	Special Programs	828,503	962,442
1430	Summer School	0	0
2140	Psychological Services	50,166	66,007
2140	Vision / Hearing Svs	2,550	11,820
2150	Speech and Audiology	192,531	198,324
2159	Speech-Summer School	0	0
2160	Physical Therapy	22,843	17,450
2150	Occupational Therapy	130,803	136,304
2722	Special Transportation	36,554	46,012
2729	Summer School Transportation		
Total Expenses		**1,263,950**	**1,438,359**

SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE			
1950	Services to other LEAs	0	0
3110	Special Ed. Portion Adequacy funds	212,214	232,278
3110	Foundation Aid	0	0
3111	Catastrophic Aid	25,312	27,916
3190	Medicaid	24,294	49,791
Total Revenues		**261,820**	**309,985**

ACTUAL DISTRICT COST FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION	**1,002,130**	**1,128,374**

TABLE I
STRATHAM PUPILS
TOTAL ENROLLMENT JANUARY 1, 2006

YEAR	PRE	K	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
2002-03	14	85	87	116	97	108	119	626
2003-04	20	93	93	90	118	96	115	625
2004-05	20	99	108	98	94	123	102	644
2005-06	19	95	112	112	95	99	120	652

TABLE II
STRATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE
FOR 2005-2006

Jared Casassa
Robert Cliche
Tatum Cordy
Reed Dannar
Ross Dannar
Kanoe Eichholz
Keala Eichholz
Megan Fitzsimmons
Austin Gingras
Logan Gingras
Kevin Gray
Elise Leavitt
Abriana MacKenzie
Rebecca Manougian
Sean McGuinness
Jack Merecki
Allison Nash
Claire O'Neil
Charles Rickarby
Ryan Scerbo
Samantha Sculte
Elizabeth Smith
Marcy Waters
Serena Waters
Andrew Weinhold
Joseph Winslow

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2006

Members Present: Mark Poirier, Katherine McDonnell, Robert O'Sullivan, and Luke Breton.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by School District Moderator, David Emanuel. The Moderator introduced himself and the School Board Members who were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lucy Cushman.

Mr. Emanuel explained he would follow simple parliamentary procedures. He also explained that should anyone wish to speak he would like them to approach the microphone and first state their name and address.

ARTICLE I: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,814,193.00 for the support of the schools, for payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the School District, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

The Moderator asked if there is a motion to accept this article. Katherine McDonnell moved to accept Article I and Robert O'Sullivan seconded the motion. The Moderator then recognized Nathan Lunney, Assistant Business Administrator for the Superintendent's Office, to explain the budget. Mr. Emanuel asked if there were any objections to a non-resident speaking on this matter. No objections were raised.

Mr. Lunney first showed the audience last year's pie chart of the budget in his power point presentation. The largest pieces of the pie chart are for salaries and benefits. He then showed this year's pie chart which is almost identical to last year's. In his next chart he showed expenditures that are decreasing for the coming year. Site improvements like carpeting and new curbing as well as furniture and computer equipment are less in 2006-2007. A technical support position has been eliminated as well as principal and interest on bonds continues to decrease. Increases for the upcoming year include annual increases in salaries and benefits as well as rising fuel and electricity costs. For the upcoming school year the SAU chose to extend the current bus contract at a 5% increase instead of negotiating a new contract given the opening of the new high school in the fall. Stratham's contribution to the SAU16 budget will increase this next year as Stratham's student numbers increase and Exeter's decrease. One new position has also been added for a computer educator who will focus on integrating technology into the curriculum. Mr. Lunney went on to explain the tax impact for the proposed budget. Given the proposed budget the impact would be $0.74 per $1,000.00. The school receives revenues which would offset the impact by $0.01 so the final impact would be $0.73 per $1,000.00. The floor was then opened for questions.

Dave Perkins of Jack Rabbit Lane inquired about the increase in the retirement line item. He wants to know if this will continue to increase at such a rate each year. Mark Poirier responded that this was an item under discussion in preparing the budget. A decision was made not to create a retirement trust fund this year but have it as a line item. The school is anticipating two teachers to retire this year. Robert O'Sullivan further explained when the School Board discussed the options of handing retirement funds they decided it was too late to add a warrant article to create a trust fund this year but will probably do so next year.

The Moderator then recognized Mark Poirier who spoke in favor of the proposed budget. He said the budget reflects an effort to provide quality education with senior staff while keeping taxes down. He asked for the voters support in passing this budget.

Susan Canada of the Budget Advisory Committee then approached the microphone. She read a statement explaining she is a member of the committee appointed by the Moderator to review the budget prior to it being finalized. There were many productive meetings between the Committee and the School Board in which full explanations were provided and reviewed. She further explained that the Committee feels an appropriate budget has been achieved and they are in support of it.

Mark Poirier spoke to the helpful assistance the Committee provides by being critical and supportive. He explained that throughout the long meetings it was a constructive effort.

The Moderator recognized all the members of the Committee; namely, Susan Canada, Sue Hunter, Paula Korlakowski, Allison Scamman, Tim Brothers, and Maria Emanuel. He thanked them for their hard work.

There were no more questions or comments so the Moderator called for the vote. All were in favor and the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE II: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

The Moderator recognized Tom Fosher, Principal of Stratham Memorial School. Mr. Fosher thanked Mark Poirier and Katherine McDonnell for their time on the School Board as their term is now complete. He explained Mr. Poirier has done an excellent job as Chairperson of the Board and Mrs. McDonnell was particularly helpful with legal matters and as an advocate for classroom aides. They were both then presented with gifts.

ARTICLE III: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

The Moderator thanked Carol Gulla, Supervisor of the Checklist, for her work this night. He also thanked the voters for attending and supporting our school. Mr. Emanuel then reminded everyone to vote next Tuesday from 8 am to 8 pm and to attend Town Meeting the next Friday.

The Meeting was closed at 7:40 pm by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Conklin Waters

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School District Clerk

2006 STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS

School Board Member: John Hazekamp 659 Votes

School Board Member: Kathryn Adler 650 Votes

School District Clerk: Amy Conklin Waters 835 Votes

THE EXETER REGION

COOPERATIVE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT

For the Year Ending June 30, 2006
For the Proposed 2007-2008 Budget

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EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEMBERS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS

Chair of the School Board: **Greg Kann**

Name	Term Expires	Town
Kimberley Casey	2008	East Kingston
Townley Chisholm	2009	Exeter
Lucy Cushman	2008	Stratham
Greg Kann	2007	Exeter
Patricia Lovejoy	2009	Stratham
Kristina Magnusson	2007	Brentwood
Sally Oxnard	2008	Exeter
Robin Scott	2007	Kensington
Raymond Trueman	2009	Newfields

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Assistant Superintendent
Curriculum and Assessment

SAU 16 MISSION STATEMENT

The SAU 16 School Districts are committed to working together to develop common standards and values that will result in graduates who are caring, productive and contributing members of society.

In August of 2006, the schools opened their doors with the following enrollments: Swasey Central School in Brentwood – 403; East Kingston Elementary School – 178; Exeter Elementary (Main Street School and Lincoln Street School) – 953; Kensington Elementary School – 211; Newfields Elementary School – 166; Stratham Memorial School – 618; Cooperative Middle School – 1,332; the Seacoast School of Technology – 610, the new Exeter High School - 1,635 and Great Bay eLearning Charter School – 73.

New Exeter High School – 315 Epping Road, Exeter

We met our schedule to have the building construction completed by the summer of 2006. This enabled us to make the move from the Linden Street facility in time for the opening of school in late August 2006. The dedication of the building occurred on Sunday, September 24, 2006 and the new William Ball Stadium was dedicated on Friday, September 8, 2006 with assistance from Governor John Lynch. This stunning school complex has exceeded our expectations and we hope to see the SAU 16 communities utilize this facility for many years to come. On behalf of the School Board, staff, and students, we once again want to express our gratitude to you, the taxpayers and parents, for making this new facility possible.

Seacoast School of Technology (formerly called Region 18 Vocation Center) Renovations

The State of New Hampshire is committing to cover approximately 90% of the total cost of the SST renovation project! We are pleased to share this great news with you, the voters, because it is finally our turn (we have waited six years) to receive this funding of the renovation of SST. The total amount of the funding is $6,375,000 which is 75% of the $8,500,000 renovation budget. In addition, the balance of the funding – 25% or $2,125,000, the so-called local share – is eligible for 55% building aid or $1,168,750.

Finally, 60% of the remaining $956,250 will be paid by the sending districts which are home to the five (5) other high schools (Epping, Newmarket, Sanborn, Raymond and Winnacunnet) through the tuition charged to these districts. In fact, $230,000 has already been collected and transferred to the capital reserve fund established for this purpose at the 2005 district meeting.

In summary, the Exeter Region Cooperative District's share of the $8.5 million cost with 40% of the students will be $290,500 spread over five (5) years and collected through the tuition process. Consequently, there will be minimum impact on the tax rate in each of those years (less than $.02 per $1,000). The schedule for this project is estimated to be 2 years, beginning in July 2007. Voters will be asked to consider approving the funding of this project in a special warrant article which will appear on the March 13, 2007 Cooperative School District ballot.

SAU Renovation

The planning process to relocate the SAU office to the Tuck Learning Campus on Linden Street is nearing completion. The major impetus for this move is the cost savings to the SAU/Coop taxpayers of not having to pay rent for commercial office space. In addition, the estimated cost of the renovation to the Coop will be eligible for 40% State building aid. The combination of the rent savings and the building aid will enable us to recover our renovation cost in less than three years.

The Coop School Board will be reviewing the financing options in early January 2007 and it is our hope we will be able to begin construction in early February 2007. Our plan is for the relocation process to be completed no later than October 2007.

Human Resources

During the summer of 2006, the SAU 16 Human Resources Department met with and processed employment papers for 57 new teachers and 85 new support staff members. Over all, SAU 16 employs close to 1,000 people working for our various school districts.

Superintendent Arthur Hanson has informed the SAU Joint School Board that he intends to retire at the end of the 2007 – 2008 school year. The search process for a new superintendent will begin in April of 2007. The search will involve members from each of the seven (7) SAU school boards, parents, teachers and administrators.

As a reminder, the HR Department serves all of the SAU 16 Communities of Brentwood, East Kingston, Exeter, Exeter Region Cooperative, Kensington, Newfields and Stratham.

Technology

The 2006-2007 school year marked the first full year of implementation for our newly approved technology plan. School districts are required to submit a new technology plan to their local boards and the New Hampshire Department of Education every three years. Approval of these plans is required to qualify for state and/or federal grant programs. Among the projects that we are working on this year is the new state requirement for all schools to integrate the Information Communication Technologies (ICT) standards into all disciplines at all grade levels. The ICT standards are the same technology standards that SAU 16 schools have been using since the approval of our first technology plan in 2001. However, these new standards now require that a digital portfolio be implemented for all students in grades K-12. Through the use of grant funds, obtained by the Seacoast Professional Development Center (SPDC), a digital portfolio has been developed which will be available for use by all schools at no cost. We have begun the planning process for implementing the portfolio and we hope to pilot its use this spring. Training and full implementation of the portfolio will occur during the 2007-2008 school year.

All SAU 16 schools are now using a student information system known as PowerSchool to collect and store attendance data and student information. This tool allows teachers and administrators to access and edit student information from any computer attached to the Internet. This data is protected through encryption and secure logins and passwords. Phase two of our implementation plan will begin next year when we will enable grade reporting in PowerSchool. The Cooperative Middle School and Exeter High School are planning to begin phase II of the implementation plan before the end of the 2006-2007 school year. Phase three of the implementation plan will include the opening of a parent portal where parents will be able to access information about their child's progress in school.

We have received two Rural Utilities Services Distance Learning grants that have provided us and our grant partners in New Hampshire and Vermont with over $800,000 worth of video conferencing

equipment. Installation of hardware and teacher training has been completed for all participating schools in New Hampshire and Vermont for the first round of funding, while equipment purchased through the second grant is due to be installed in the spring of 2007. We are working with New Hampshire Public Television, the Granite State Distance Learning Network, and the Seacoast Professional Development Center to schedule academic content for students and professional development workshops for teachers that will be available through the use of video conferencing technology.

Fiscal Services

For three years, this annual report has noted the careful and deliberate work of the Business Office staff in converting to a next-generation accounting software solution. Although it may not sound glamorous, the system is an essential component of the business operation and deserves mention. As 2006 draws to a close, that conversion is now complete and we are up and running in all of our districts. There are numerous new functions and features offered by this progressive application that the business office team looks forward to employing in the coming months.

One important service provided by the SAU to our member districts is the commitment to identifying and realizing savings where possible through consolidated purchasing efforts. Again this year, the Business Office took steps to control energy costs where possible. Through a competitive bidding initiative, the SAU took advantage of that deregulated market and locked into a three year fixed-rate deal for electricity for our buildings. Additional efforts to cooperate in purchases of natural gas and heating oil also helped control energy costs for the districts.

This year the SAU extended for one additional year its current contract for student transportation with First Student, Inc. At the writing of this report, the Business Office is engaged in a competitive bidding process to award a new multi-year contract for bussing. The technology of buses changes over time as do the specific needs of our districts. This new contract will secure a new relationship with a transportation provider that will carry the SAU forward with a commitment to student safety, transportation efficiency and cost control. It is the strength of our numbers as a whole that makes this possible.

The basic responsibility of the Business Office is to provide for the accurate and timely transaction of the business of our schools. It is a pleasure to report that the fiscal services staff has been very successful again this year in satisfying that responsibility, supporting the districts in budgeting and accounting for their operations.

Curriculum and Assessment

Assessment

During the fall of 2006, all students in grades 3-8 participated in the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) exams in reading and mathematics. Fifth graders and eighth graders participated in a writing component as well. The results of these exams illustrate how our students perform on a standardized test that is based on Grade Level Expectations at the state level, and will be reported to students, parents, and the community once they become available.

Annually in May, all of the SAU 16 schools administer the Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA). This computer adaptive instrument gives us one indicator of each student's growth over a set period of time. The NWEA program also provides valuable information that assists in grouping students and illustrating specific instructional suggestions for each student.

Our students are assessed in a variety of ways including teacher developed tests, projects, displays, and presentations. It is important to remember that any standardized test is one indicator and one type of

assessment. Our teachers encourage and provide forums for students to demonstrate what they "know and are able to do" in a variety of ways.

Curriculum

Our Professional Development Master Plan, which was approved by the State in 2002, helps to guide our curriculum work. That plan is currently being revised to serve as our guide for the period of 2007-2012.

Each of our SAU 16 schools continues to utilize data to inform the process of curriculum development, and all of our schools have representation on our SAU-wide curriculum committees. The work of these committees is outlined as follows:

Math - The group has completed an alignment study of our mathematics curriculum and the New England Common Assessment Program, determining that there is a strong alignment between the two. Methods of reporting student progress in mathematics are more consistent throughout the SAU. New assessment materials are continually being considered and stronger articulation between grade levels is taking place.

Literacy - The focus of the Literacy Committee this year rests in three areas: What do our test scores tell us about our students as writers, and how can we improve that performance? How do we track the growth of our students as readers and writers? What does the current research tell us about best practices in reading and writing instruction?

Science - With science becoming part of the statewide testing program in 2007, a greater emphasis is being placed on providing content area training for elementary teachers; ensuring that all teachers are aware of the Grade Level and Grade Span Expectations; and providing the instructional supports that teachers need to address the variety of student learning styles in each classroom.

Social Studies - The new State Social Studies Frameworks have recently been approved by the State Board of Education. Our local committee will now look at the alignment of those frameworks to our local curriculum.

Art - The SAU 16 art teachers are reviewing the existing curriculum; mapping the SAU 16 art curriculum; reviewing other "spiraling" K-12 art curriculums; and discussing how to integrate art products into the digital portfolios of students.

Music - The large group ensemble program is being piloted for students from East Kingston, Kensington, Brentwood and Newfields. This program, as approved by the Joint School Boards in May 2006, is designed to provide the students in our smaller schools with the experience of a large group performance opportunity, like that in Exeter and Stratham, prior to entering the Cooperative Middle School as sixth graders.

Grade Reporting - The task force has met three times. Survey results from teachers, administrators, school board members and parents have been reviewed and a rough draft of the guidelines is being developed for review during the second semester. The group has reviewed examples of grading philosophies and standards-based reporting systems.

Guidance - Guidance counselors have met twice to discuss the National School Counseling Model. Counselors have completed time/task analysis forms; reviewed School Counselor Performance Appraisal Forms; reviewed the alignment of the Core Standards for SAU 16 Guidance Counselors with the "Core Standards" with the ASCA Model integrated. On-going discussions focus on the professional development and "school culture" adjustments that will need consideration on moving towards this nationally accepted model.

Professional Development - The SAU 16 Professional Development Committee has met monthly since September. The group has reviewed examples of approved master plans, analyzed our existing plan, and, using the DOE toolkit and rubric, is preparing to complete a first draft of our revised plan in January. The process will include an opportunity for staff feedback prior to submission of a final document in May for June 2007 approval.

Teacher Mentoring Program - The grant for this program expires in 2007. Preliminary discussions of funding the program for next year and an outline of the training plan have taken place. SAU 16 remains committed to supporting new teachers and building the capacity of our teaching staff using the experience and resources that we have throughout the SAU.

Information Literacy - Our SAU 16 librarians developed a mission statement, matrix of grade level "Information Literacy Standards for Student Learning", and are implementing a more consistent and well-articulated program in Information Literacy, grades K-12.

It should be noted that the vast majority of staff involvement in curriculum work is through time volunteered by staff members. Most groups meet after school hours with occasional work completed over the summer or through full day work sessions during the school year.

Sincere appreciation is offered to all of the SAU 16 Joint School Board Members, the Board of Trustees for the Great Bay eLearning Charter School and the Seacoast School of Technology's Governing Board for their continued support and dedication to the students that attend SAU 16 Schools. The Boards' tireless efforts and dedication on behalf of collaborative educational and co-curricular excellence, is often unrecognized. Their commitment to all students and to their communities allows SAU 16 to be recognized as a superior school system

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2007 ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING WARRANT

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

To the inhabitants of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire qualified to vote upon District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet as follows:

FIRST SESSION OF ANNUAL MEETING (Deliberative): At the **Talbot Gymnasium** of the Tuck Learning Campus (the former Exeter High School) in Exeter, New Hampshire on **Thursday, February 8, 2007, at 7:00 PM** for explanation, discussion, debate, and possible amendment of the following warrant articles:

1. Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $46,435,840? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be $46,105,313, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (The School Board recommends $46,435,840 as set forth on said budget.)

2. To see if the School District will raise and appropriate the sum of $8,500,000 (gross budget) for the purpose of constructing renovations and additions and purchasing furnishings and equipment for the Seacoast School of Technology (Region 18 Vocational Center); to authorize the acceptance of a construction grant in the amount of $6,375,000 (75% of the total cost of the project) from the State of New Hampshire; to authorize the use of $956,250 from tuition fees received from the Seacoast School of Technology member districts to fund the balance of the 25% local share not covered by building aid, and further to authorize the use of State Building Aid in the amount of $1,168,750 to be received in annual increments of $233,750 over the next 5 years. Further, to authorize the school board to apply for, accept and expend grants and donations from state, federal or other private sources that may become available. This is a non-lapsing special warrant article under RSA 32:7 and will not lapse until the project is complete or until June 30, 2013, whichever is earlier. This article is contingent upon receiving the grant from the State of New Hampshire in the amount of $6,375,000. (The School Board recommends this appropriation).

(*Passage of this article will not impact the tax rate.*)

3. Shall the District raise and appropriate to the expendable trust fund known as the "Maintenance Fund" (established by the 2001 District meeting under RSA 198:20-c for the purpose of funding long term and/or unexpected maintenance/repair projects of

school buildings and grounds) the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2007 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $40,000? (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

(*The source of funding for this $40,000 will be the first State Building Aid payment received as a result of the cost of renovations to a portion of the Tuck Learning Campus, formerly Exeter High School, for the relocation of the SAU 16 offices. This will be the first of five years of State Building Aid payments to replenish monies of the Maintenance Trust Fund used for the renovation.*)

4. On petition of Edward Berry and others:
To see if the Towns comprising the Exeter Regional Cooperative School District will Vote to establish an Advisory Budget Committee. Membership shall be composed of nine committee members in the same proportion as town representation on the cooperative board. The moderator in the first instance shall appoint the members of the budget committee, except for the additional member appointed from the school board, within 15 days of the vote establishing the committee. The members appointed by the moderator shall serve until the next annual meeting when the meeting shall elect their successors.

5. To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers heretofore chosen.

6. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

SECOND SESSION: At the polling places designated below on Tuesday, **March 13, 2007,** to choose the following School District Officers: School District Board Member (Brentwood), School District Board Member (Exeter), School District Board Member (Kensington), and School District Moderator; and vote on the articles listed as **1, 2, 3 and 4** as those articles may be amended at the First Session; by ballot, the polls to be open at the polling places at the hours designated below:

VOTERS IN TOWN OF	POLLING PLACE	POLLING HOURS
Brentwood	Brentwood Fire Hall	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
East Kingston	East Kingston Elementary School Multi-purpose Room	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Exeter	Talbot Gymnasium Tuck Learning Campus	7:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Kensington	Kensington Town Hall	8:00 AM to 7:30 PM
Newfields	Newfields Town Hall	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Stratham	Stratham Municipal Center	8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Given under our hands at Exeter High School on this 23rd day of January, 2007.

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Kimberley Casey

Townley Chisholm

Lucy Cushman

Greg Kann

Patricia Lovejoy

Kris Magnusson

Sally Oxnard

Robin Scott

Ray Trueman

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FY 2007-2008 PROPOSED BUDGET

1/6/2007 PROGRAM	BUDGET 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2005-2006	BUDGET 2006-2007	PROPOSED 2007-2008
ART	315,308	344,801	340,043	356,409
MUSIC	327,901	325,733	348,405	369,035
PHYSICAL ED	476,832	480,364	492,244	531,120
BASIC CLASSROOM	431,000	620,063	455,982	509,834
ALTERNATIVE ED	266,209	281,052	288,076	340,990
READING	369,910	431,951	458,443	486,817
MATHEMATICS	1,477,982	1,452,193	1,565,640	1,673,656
BUSINESS ED	132,608	153,281	138,398	138,434
SCIENCE	1,546,958	1,566,348	1,693,740	1,806,205
ENGLISH	1,680,989	1,721,611	1,824,575	1,926,011
ESL/ESOL/ELL	36,300	18,674	36,310	36,800
SOCIAL STUDIES	1,561,312	1,421,689	1,597,070	1,674,481
WORLD LANGUAGE	1,070,211	1,017,542	1,114,060	1,170,241
HEALTH	219,810	161,143	171,867	197,557
FAMILY & CONS SCIENCE	177,357	191,155	185,245	198,493
TECH ED	209,126	185,115	228,776	226,895
COMPUTER	996,867	1,431,768	1,247,295	1,330,778
SUBS/SABB/TUT/STAFF DEV	241,500	153,379	253,000	261,000
REGULAR EDUCATION	$11,538,180	$11,957,862	$12,439,169	$13,234,756
SPECIAL EDUCATION	3,894,445	3,406,760	4,116,446	4,345,110
SEACOAST SCH OF TECH	1,311,537	1,282,227	1,398,035	1,461,527
ATHLETICS/XCURR	652,393	699,041	722,188	763,251
ADULT ED	66,150	108,276	70,120	74,290
GUIDANCE/ATTENDANCE	1,059,837	1,073,900	1,117,552	1,189,947
NURSE/HEALTH SERVICES	273,136	289,309	341,496	374,428
PSYCH/SPEECH PATH	382,761	364,554	426,015	441,825
MEDIA/TRAINING	322,383	305,498	340,909	355,685
SCHOOL BD/SPED ADMIN	229,800	299,183	248,300	260,800
SAU #16 ADMIN	990,542	990,542	1,085,354	1,140,842
SCHOOL ADMIN	1,734,120	1,862,767	1,895,646	1,974,750
PLANT OPERATIONS	1,978,733	1,957,349	2,077,447	2,324,347
UTILITIES/ENERGY	997,853	1,138,344	1,528,825	1,686,000
TRANSPORTATION	1,263,905	1,302,373	1,483,211	1,615,465
BENEFITS	6,737,618	6,371,292	7,717,007	8,210,077
INSURANCE	110,000	132,292	200,000	209,100
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	$33,543,393	$33,541,569	$37,207,720	$39,662,200
DEBT SERVICE	5,798,438	5,798,438	5,793,880	4,555,130
CAP RES/TRUST FUNDS	490,000	490,000	-	-
CAPITAL PROJ/SP W.A.	-	19,498,739	475,000	-
FEDERAL/STATE GRANTS	898,340	1,031,137	898,340	1,398,510
FOOD SERVICE FUND	820,000	735,559	820,000	820,000
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	$41,550,171	$61,095,442	$45,194,940	$46,435,840

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Previous Two Fiscal Years per RSA 32:11-a

1/6/2007

SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES		2004-2005	2005-2006
1200/1230	Special Programs	$ 3,396,858	$ 3,455,397
1430	Summer School	61,173	61,763
2140	Psychological Services	115,774	127,268
2150	Speech and Audiology	146,234	152,482
2162	Physical Therapy	46,255	47,146
2163	Occupational Therapy	27,172	37,658
2722	Special Transportation	312,535	255,088
2729	Summer School Transp	17,849	22,735
	TOTAL EXPENSES	4,123,850	4,159,537
SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUES			
1950	Service to other LEAs	-	-
3110	Special Ed Portion AEG	-	1,551,133
3240	Catastrophic Aid	383,490	440,013
4580	Medicaid	298,522	248,770
	TOTAL REVENUES	682,012	2,239,916
ACTUAL DISTRICT COST FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION		$ 3,441,838	$ 1,919,621

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2006

PLODZIK & SANDERSON

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Exeter Region Cooperative School District
Exeter, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as of June 30, 2006 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

The government-wide statement of net assets does not include any of the School District's capital assets nor the accumulated depreciation on those assets; and the government-wide statement of activities does not include depreciation expense related to those assets. These amounts have not been determined. Therefore, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District at June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 2, as of July 1, 2005, the School District has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated September 22, 2006 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Exeter Region Cooperative School District has not presented a management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Exeter Region Cooperative School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations,* and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District. The combining and individual fund schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Gregory A. Colby, CPA

September 22, 2006

PLODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

A. Financial Statements

1. The auditor's report expresses an adverse opinion on the financial statements of the governmental activities, and an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information
2. There were no material weaknesses identified relating to the internal control over financial reporting
3. There were no reportable conditions identified which were not considered material weaknesses relating to the internal control over financial reporting
4. There were no instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements identified

B. Federal Awards

1. There were no material weaknesses identified relating to the internal control over major programs
2. There were no reportable conditions identified which were not considered material weaknesses relating to the internal control over major programs.
3. The auditor's report on compliance for major programs expresses an unqualified opinion
4. There are no audit findings required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133.
5. The programs tested as major programs are CFDA No. 84.002: Adult Education - State Grant Program; CFDA No. 84.318: Education Technology State Grants; and CFDA No. 93.558: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.
6. The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was $300,000
7. The Exeter Region Cooperative School District was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

NONE

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NONE

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Enrollment Projections

12/26/2006

Cooperative Middle School

	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade	Total	% Change
2006-07	466	427	435	1328	0.2%
2007-08	448	474	429	1351	1.7%
2008-09	452	455	477	1384	2.4%
2009-10	472	461	458	1391	0.5%
2010-11	423	481	464	1368	-1.7%
2011-12	488	430	483	1401	2.4%
2012-13	439	498	433	1370	-2.2%
2013-14	445	448	500	1393	1.7%
2014-15	473	454	451	1378	-1.1%
2015-16	433	481	457	1371	-0.5%
2016-17	446	441	482	1369	-0.1%

Exeter High School

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade	Total	% Change
2006-07	473	401	431	408	1713	6.3%
2007-08	434	438	391	418	1681	-1.9%
2008-09	429	403	427	380	1639	-2.5%
2009-10	477	398	394	415	1684	2.7%
2010-11	460	443	389	385	1677	-0.4%
2011-12	467	425	433	379	1704	1.6%
2012-13	484	432	417	421	1754	2.9%
2013-14	433	448	423	406	1710	-2.5%
2014-15	501	401	439	411	1752	2.5%
2015-16	454	465	393	428	1740	-0.7%
2016-17	459	421	455	384	1719	-1.2%

MINUTES OF THE EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FIRST SESSION OF THE 2006 ANNUAL MEETING
DELIBERATIVE SESSION – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2006 – 7:00 PM
EXETER HIGH SCHOOL – TALBOT GYMNASIUM

Charles Tucker, Moderator
Susan Bendroth, ERCSD District Clerk
Arthur L. Hanson, SAU 16 Superintendent of Schools
Sally Boyd, ERCSD Assistant Deputy Clerk
Walter Pierce, SAU 16 Business Administrator
Nathan Lunney, SAU 16 Assistant Business Administrator
Gordon Graham, Esq., School Board Attorney

Members of the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board:
Patty Lovejoy – Chair – Stratham
Robin Scott – Vice Chair – Kensington
Kris Magnusson – Brentwood
Kim Casey – East Kingston
Greg Kann – Exeter
Roy Morrisette - Exeter
Sally Oxnard – Exeter
Ray Trueman – Newfields
Lucy Cushman - Stratham

Moderator Charles Tucker opened the meeting at 7:04 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Tucker explained that this was the first session, also known as the Deliberative Session, which will determine the form of the ballot on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at the respective polling locations in each SAU 16 town. Moderator Tucker reviewed the procedures for a deliberative session that would be followed for the evening.

Motion by Roy Morrisette, seconded by Greg Kann and unanimously voted in the affirmative to move to Warrant Article #9 "***To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers heretofore chosen***".

Moderator Tucker noted Superintendent Hanson was present to speak to the charter schools.
Walter Pierce gave a final progress report of the new high school.

Moderator Tucker appointed two (2) tellers for the meeting to assist in counting the votes if needed – Arthur Baillargeon, Exeter and Langdon Plumer, Exeter.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #1:
Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $43,565,480? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be $43,248,367, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (The School Board recommends $43,565,480 as set forth on said budget.)

SAU Assistant Business Administrator Nathan Lunney spoke to the budget referring to a gray handout available to the public and utilized a Power Point presentation. The following individuals spoke to the article.

Alan Bailey, Exeter commented about the overall budget and referenced the auditor's report, which expressed an adverse opinion on the financial statements. He asked for comments on what board will do to remove these adverse comments from the report?
Nathan Lunney explained that GASB 34 (Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34) is what was being referred to in the auditor's report.
Alan Bailey, asked if you added the proposed operating budget in Article 1 with Article 2 contract for 2006-07 and Article 3 paraprofessional contract for 2006-07 would the total be over $44 million?
Nathan Lunney noted that was correct.
Jim Johnson, Brentwood, questioned the school district's DINI (District In Need of Improvement) plan and how the two new requested teachers would be used with that plan?
ERCSD Chair of Curriculum and Philosophy Committee, Sally Oxnard, responded and noted that the entire ERCSD plan for DINI is on the SAU 16 Website and a committee meeting is scheduled for the 21st which is open to the public.
Jim Johnson, Brentwood, asked about different abilities of 5th graders coming to CMS and understood that this was a problem?
Sally Oxnard noted that Coop Board does not deal with students at elementary levels.
Jim Johnson asked what was being done at CMS to assist the students coming in at various academic levels?
Board Member Patty Lovejoy noted that in each of the 6th grade pods there is a reading teacher and the 7th grade curriculum has changed with half year of reading versus one quarter of a year. She further explained that under NCLB requirements, the areas where we do not meet the criteria are our SPED area and in ESL where we do not have enough students to qualify.
Mike Dawley, Exeter asked if there were monies in next year's budget to maintain the Linden Street campus?
Nathan Lunney responded that there is utilities included in the budget but otherwise have scaled back in the Annex and high school property.
Mike Dawley noted he is looking for a dollar figure and if there is a maintenance reserve figure for the Linden Street buildings?
Richard "Dick" Wendell, Director of Maintenance spoke to the specific dollar amount and explained it is hard to break out since SST will remain at the High School. The Annex alone, depending on how utilized will run around $75,000 for heating and maybe $110,000 for electricity. This is in the anticipation of the Annex being occupied next year with the charter schools, adult ed., SPED, etc. It makes more sense to shut down the High School with more square footage.
Mike Dawley wanted the average taxpayer to know how much it is going to cost them to maintain real estate on Linden Street after the high school moves.
Nathan Lunney will get that breakdown.
Arthur Baillargeon, Exeter questioned if the budget included both buildings and observed a huge increase in utilities?
Nathan Lunney made an observation that the increase in utilities is being seen everywhere. Arthur Baillargeon asked if once school gets into operation will there be a policy to reduce the use of utilities?
Dick Wendell noted that the beauty of this new building is the green level of the building.
Arthur Baillargeon asked if there was any method to regulate the cost of the A/C if it gets too expensive?
Dick Wendell said there would be a conscious effort made to have A/C at comfort level for those in building 76-78 degrees and the electric bills will be monitored on a month-to-month basis.
Nora Arico, Exeter asked that the Annex utility figures be shared with everyone and not just Mike who asked for them.
Brian Griset, Exeter, spoke about his vote in favor of the new high school initially but the additions added to the building costs would not affect his children's education and are not necessary. He will be offering five amendments to the warrant articles that will help offset the tax increases.

AMENDMENT: Brian Griset, Exeter would like to amend operating budget article to $43,248,367 dollars with second by Alan Bailey.

Board Member Kim Casey spoke to the amendment asking if Mr. Griset's intent is to make the proposed operating budget the default budget amount, noting he would give the voters no choice but a default budget to vote for at the polls.
Brian Griset noted he is not taking away the voter's choice by only offering a default budget.
Board Member Roy Morrisette made additional comments.
Nathan Lunney spoke to the fact that at the January 7th Board Budget Work Session a $400,000 adjustment was made on behalf of the taxpayers.
Frank Ferraro, Exeter spoke to Mrs. Casey's point of taking away the voters right to vote on two budgets. He also expressed that they were told that if there were savings on the budget, that those savings would come back to the district not just be spent.
Arthur Baillargeon, Exeter spoke to the amendment. He asked if the amendment would affect the academic courses and if so how?
Board Member Lovejoy noted that included in the amount to be taken away, would be two teachers to staff math and reading labs for DINI status and other existing services will have to be cut. The zero increase for supplies at CMS or EHS for last three years and this year was given a 4% increase so that will be taken back even though the number of students has significantly increased.
Arthur Baillargeon asked if academics would be the last place to take the cuts?
Board Member Lovejoy said it would go back to the Finance Committee and the specifics of where those cuts would come from could not be said at this time.
Maggie Hassan, Exeter expressed her support in having the entire community having the opportunity and the right to vote on the proposed budget.
Frank Ferraro, Exeter motioned to move the question and it was seconded.
Moderator Tucker called for a vote and declared that the nays appeared to have it so the amendment didn't carry.
Board Member Ray Trueman spoke further to putting A/C in all the educational wings.
Moderator Tucker noted since there is no further discussion; Warrant Article #1 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #2:
Shall the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Education Association covering the four year period from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2010 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits totaling:

Year	*Estimated Increase*
2006-07	*$ 995,183*
2007-08	*$1,017,791*
2008-09	*$1,079,961*
2009-10	*$1,092,049*

and further raise and appropriate the sum of $995,183 for the 2006-07 school year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year? (The School Board recommends this appropriation)..

Board member Roy Morrisette spoke to the article.
Alan Bailey, Exeter questioned the number of teachers involved in this agreement?
Board response was roughly 240 teachers with about 2957 students in middle school and high school.
Alan Bailey wanted to know where the Board was headed with these increases in teacher salaries? He referenced the NHDOE website and figured that the average ERCSD teacher is at step 8 with masters degree plus 15 credits.
Board Member Patty Lovejoy responded by saying that our very experienced teaching staff drives the cost. These increases assume that every teacher that is currently here will stay here in the coming years,

but does not take into account any upcoming retirements. We have also assumed the CPI will be such that they receive the maximum amount each year, but will not know until the CPI is determined.
Moderator Tucker noted since there is no further discussion, Warrant Article #2 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #3:
Shall the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Cooperative Paraprofessional Association covering the three year period from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2009 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits totaling:

Year	*Estimated Increase*
2006-07	*$ 159,277*
2007-08	*$ 70,183*
2008-09	*$ 71,058*

and further raise and appropriate the sum of $159,277 for the 2006-07 school year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year? (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

School Board Chair Patty Lovejoy spoke to this article.
Alan Bailey, Exeter, questioned how many people involved?
Board response was 59.
Alan Bailey asked if there is special training for the aides?
School Board Chair Lovejoy answered that under NCLB there is special training that is required. Some have two year degrees and others four year degrees. Their background determines where they come in on the salary scale.
Moderator Tucker noted since there is no further discussion, Warrant Article #3 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #4:
Shall the District, if Article 2 and/or 3 are defeated, authorize the School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 2 and/or 3 cost items only? (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

Board Member Ray Trueman spoke to the article noting it gives the ERCSD Board the ability to call for a special meeting to look at articles 2 and 3 if they did not pass at the March poles.
Moderator Tucker noted since there is no further discussion, Warrant Article #4 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #5:
Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $675,000 for costs associated with the completion of the New Exeter High School? (This amount is interest earned on bond proceeds.) (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
Motion by Lucy Cushman to amend Warrant Article #5. Seconded by Sally Oxnard.
AMENDMENT: ***Amended to: Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $475,000 for improvements to the Stadium at the New Exeter High School? (This amount is interest earned on bond proceeds.)***
Board Member Lucy Cushman spoke to this amendment and referred everyone to the virtual pictures on the easels in front of them. This is money that has already been raised and the stadium addition is far

more than a concession stand as it also includes team rooms for both the home and visiting teams and bathrooms for the spectators; The amendment says up to $475,000 and if we do not need that much, we won't use it. The thought is to have the contractor complete the job while still on the site.
Brian Griset, Exeter referenced "spending it now being better than later."
Board Member Patty Lovejoy explained we earned $1.9 million on the interest; knew when we sold the bonds, we were going to get $400,000 of anticipated interest. When we went out to sell the bonds, we caught the market at about the bottom, but also benefited as interest rates began to climb and since we did not need the funds, were able to earn $1.5 million over what we anticipated; we cannot touch that money unless taxpayers give us approval. This warrant article is asking for up to $475,000 from that money that was earned. The completion of the spaces under the stadium were not considered at the time we were proposing the building, as we did not feel this could be considered in the original $49 million project.
Brian Griset said he supports the concept of the amendment but his issue is that it is an add-on. Arthur Baillargeon, Exeter asked if the figure was concrete?
Board Member Lovejoy replied yes and not to exceed that amount.
Arthur Baillargeon asked about the maintenance costs and who gets the money from the concession stand?
Board Member Lovejoy said the Booster clubs have run concessions in the past.
Arthur Baillargeon asked if the rest of $1.5 million would come back to the taxpayers automatically?
Board Member Cushman stated that the $1.5 million could not be spent without the taxpayers' approval.
Luke Pickett, Stratham asked for clarification that the article is being decreased by $200,000? Board Member Cushman noted the $200,000 was originally asked for to finish off the back entrance of the school, but now felt may have enough money in the budget to at least put down pavers in the back area. That area is the main student area and putting grass there seems defeating. It is not a line item in the budget and will not come out of the contingency.
Luke Pickett stated that at a earlier board meeting, there was talk about a traffic light.
Board Member Cushman said the traffic light has to be approved by DOT and we still have money in contingency to put that in if they allow it.
Since there is no further discussion on the amendment, Moderator Tucker called for a vote: Amendment passed.
Alan Bailey, Exeter thanked George Walker and Rich McGraw for tuning up the timing of the bond interest money. He asked what laws are we talking about with regard to not being able to use the interest money from the bonds without voter approval?
Moderator Charles Tucker asked if anyone objected to the Board's attorney responding? There was no objection.
Attorney Gordon Graham reviewed the appropriate RSA's that govern interest money from bonds needing voter approval.
Alan Bailey asked about premiums earned on bond proceeds.
Attorney Graham explained why this does not apply to what Mr. Bailey is referring to in that 33:3 only applies to the actual principal and any payment you receive as the result of an initial bond.
Interest earned on bond premiums is not proceeds
Alan Bailey asked if simple majority could pass this amendment?
Moderator Tucker responded in the affirmative.
Alan Bailey asked if the board had to raise as much as it did at the meeting or did it have to raise $400,000 less?
Moderator Tucker noted towns had to raise the whole amount the high school was going to cost even though all the money was not going to come from the bonds.
Elizabeth Faria, Brentwood asked for a breakdown of the amount for the concession stand and then the amount for the bathrooms.
Board Member Lovejoy stated that there was not that kind of breakdown because we presented plans of what we wanted to do to the contractor and did not request a piece meal quote.
Elysee Gallo Seeley, Brentwood commended the board for bringing the amount down and wanted to propose amendment: ***Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $475,000 for costs associated with the completion of***

the New Exeter High School specifically to add and finish a concession stand, public bathrooms and team rooms. **Motion was seconded by Lang Plumer.**
Moderator Tucker asked for further discussion on amendment.
SAU 16 Business Manager Walter Pierce spoke to it noting that in addition to public bathrooms, two team rooms and concession stand, also to be build under the stands is a small utility room, small room for the trainers and officials and a press box. He also noted that the Seacoast School of Technology typically builds wooden structures not masonry structures and they do not do plumbing, as it is not part of their program.
Elysee Gallo Seeley asked that her amendment be amended to add the following language on the end: ***Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $475,000 for costs associated with the completion of the New Exeter High School specifically to add and finish a concession stand, public bathrooms and team rooms and utility room, officials room and the trainer rooms***. It was noted that the press box is already built. **Revised amendment was seconded by Lang Plumer.**
Vote on revised amendment: Passes 93 to 78.

Moderator Tucker asked if anyone else wanted to speak to the amendment as further amended.
Brian Griset offered to propose two amendments. **Amend the sum in the amendment to $100,000 and that the remainder of surplus interest be approved to be used to offset the tax records (*Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $100,000 for costs associated with the completion of the New Exeter High School specifically to add and finish a concession stand, public bathrooms and team rooms and utility room, officials room and the trainer rooms and that the remainder of surplus interest be approved to be used to offset the tax records.*) Seconded by Elizabeth Faria.**
Walter Pierce spoke to amendment explaining that in order to build the structures under the bleachers the construction requires different standards for fire safety and water requirements given the water that runs off from the bleachers. Additionally, it was recommended by our construction manager that we use masonry under the stadium. As far as the number of $100,000, he respectfully requests that if you could do the wooden structure, your estimate is very light as you have not established your estimate in the same process we have with a square foot cost.
Moderator Tucker asked if there were any further comments on the amendment. Since there were none, he called for a vote: Amendment failed to carry.
Frank Ferraro, Exeter commented that he did not accuse anyone of rashly spending money on the new high school project. He agrees that it is a great idea that air conditioning was added but does not see all the other rooms being needed under the stadium except for restrooms. **Like to amend the Warrant Article to change the $475,000 to $200,000 and change to "restrooms" at the stadium (only). *Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $200,000 for costs associated with the completion of the New Exeter High School, specifically to add public restrooms only)* Seconded by Elizabeth Faria, Brentwood.**
Board Member Cushman spoke to why the other rooms are included - this stadium is not just for one sport and that possibly six sports could be on going at any one time. Having a concession stand with public accessible bathrooms, etc., makes it also a potential income producer.
Bert Bourgeois, Exeter spoke in favor of the original amendment and not wanting to tie the boards' hands.
Joseph Kelly, Exeter concerned with changing the amount as it is a safety issue and he is a football official. All sorts of people will be using this facility – band members, athletes, spectators, etc. and we need to have a first class program for school.
Moderator Tucker noted that since there was no further discussion on the amendment he would call for a vote on ending the debate. The floor voted in favor of ending the debate on the amendment.
Moderator Tucker called for a vote on the amendment to reduce the amount from $475,000 to $200,000 and just to finish restrooms. Moderator Tucker declared that the nays have it and the amendment fails.
Bert Bourgeois, Exeter amended warrant article #5 to eliminate the restrictive language, which mentions any specific facilities and add language which says: for **Improvements to stadium, athletic fields and other ancillary facilities at the new high school:** ***Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of***

the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $475,000 for improvement to the stadium, athletic fields, and other ancillary facilities at the New Exeter High School? (This amount is interest earned on bond proceeds.) **Seconded by Patty Prue, Exeter.**
Moderator Tucker noted that since there was no further discussion on the amendment he would call for a vote. 116 in favor to 40 against. He declared that the Amendment will appear on the ballot as amended.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #6:
Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate located on 56 Linden Street (Tax Map 82, Lot 13) currently known as the High School Annex, formerly know as the Exeter Area Junior High School, land and buildings, on such terms (including sales price) as the School Board shall determine are in the best interest of the District? (This authorization is in addition to Article 7 and would authorize the School Board to convey this real estate whether or not Article 7 is adopted.) (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

School board member Kim Casey spoke to the article.
Alan Bailey, Exeter questioned the methodology the school board will use "in the best interest of the District"?
Board Member Casey responded that Linda Henderson will address this article in more detail, but sees this as not only tax interest, but also best interest for voters.
Linda Henderson, Exeter, chaired the Linden Street Re-Use Committee and walked the audience through a brief history of the committees work and final recommendations.
Brian Griset, Exeter noted what the intent of article was to give the Board the right to make the final decision of what they want to do with the property and given what the next article is about, it is obvious what the Board's intent is. He expressed his disagreement with the article, the appraisal and the advertising of the property.
Board Member Casey re-addressed his comments. They accepted Linden Street Re-Use recommendations last July 2005, the appraisal for all the properties came in for $1.2 million and it was advertised in trade journals as well as newspapers. Developers did contact us and once they viewed the property, quickly lost interest
SAU 16 Business Manager Walter Pierce confirmed Casey's statements.
Nora Arico, Exeter asked for explanation of what Squamscott Community Commons?
Carol Aten, Exeter explained we are a non-profit organization looking to create an intergenerational community center that would provide social, health, recreational, cultural and educational opportunities for all.
Eric Trump, Brentwood asked if the appraisal that was done was on current zoning and someone stated that for SCC to take over the Annex property, that zoning would need to be changed and if the zoning changes were made would that change the appraised value?
SAU 16 Business Manager Pierce stated that the change in zoning is so specific it would not change the commercial viability of that property.
Gail Ferraro, Exeter asked what happens if voters vote down warrant article #7?
Moderator Tucker responded if WA #6 passes, the board can sell whatever they feel is appropriate. If WA #7 passes, the board can sell to SCC at whatever amount they feel is appropriate. If WA #6 does pass, but WA #7 does not, board can do what they want.
Ken Lanzillo, Stratham was on the Re-Use Committee. We are looking at choices of either selling this land or building houses, condos or whatever versus selling to SCC that is something that will benefit all of the citizens of all the SAU towns. If the proposal was to give the property to SCC for $1, he would vote for it.
Ann Matthews, Exeter asked for clarification on WA #6. Does this mean if WA #7 fails and WA #6 passes and if board feels it is still in their best interest to sell to SCC, they can still sell to them?
Attorney Gordon Graham responded yes the board could.
Bill Faria, Brentwood asked what did the property cost originally?
Elysee Gallo Seeley, Brentwood responded that she knew that the original cost of the property was $12.5 million eight years ago so the value of annex would be $4.2 million.

Board Member Lovejoy stated that based upon its use as a school, the appraisal as a school with the land and building eight years ago was the same as the buy out of $12.4 million with the state portion of that being $5.51 million.
Bill Faria, Brentwood suggested you put something in WA #6 **"that it not be sold for anything less than fair market value." Seconded by Elysee Gallo Seeley**.
Board Member Casey **spoke** to the problem with this amendment is if no one comes forward or comes forward for less than fair market value, the school district will be required to maintain the building with utilities, maintenance, etc.
Anthony Zwaan, Exeter spoke against the amendment.
Kate Miller, Exeter also on the Linden Street Re-Use Committee stated the committee's unanimous decision to recommend sale of the property, but not at "fair market value" or for any specific purpose.
Elizabeth Faria, Brentwood commented that next school year we will be using the Annex and you have a whole year to find a buyer for this property.
Brian Griset, Exeter reiterated with what Elizabeth Faria said and why not try to reduce the tax impact to the taxpayers by waiting to sell this property.
Moderator Tucker noted since there was no further comments/discussion on this amendment he would call for a vote. Vote on amendment: Nays appear to have it – amendment fails.
Susan Stafford, Exeter asked if WA #7 is amended or not passed, does WA #6 still stand with the current language as she feels two articles really go together?
Moderator Tucker responded that what is in parenthesis is explanatory and is suppose to avoid confusion.
Donna Carter, Kensington questioned if we advertised the Linden Street property for a dollar amount?
SAU 16 Business Manager Pierce responded that we did not, we just asked for interested people to submit proposals.
Donna Carter spoke to having eight (8) house lots on this property and the fact that there is a 900 foot frontage and would like to do an amendment that says: ***Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate located on 56 Linden Street (Tax Map 82, Lot 13) currently known as the High School Annex, formerly know as the Exeter Area Junior High School, land and buildings, a current appraisal to direct the board to list the property for sale with a commercial real estate broker and then give the Squamscott Community Commons right of first refusal? (This authorization is in addition to Article 7 and would authorize the School Board to convey this real estate whether or not Article 7 is adopted.)***. **Seconded by Brain Griset.**
SAU 16 Business Manager Pierce rebutted the 900 feet of frontage, as 400-500 feet is river. Moderator Tucker noted since there is no further discussion or comment on the amendment he would call for a vote. Vote on amendment. Nays have it. Amendment fails.
Bill Faria, Brentwood questioned if WA #6 passes and WA #7 does not pass, the board can still sell it to SCC?
Moderator Tucker noted that was correct.

Moderator Tucker announced that because his law firm has worked with the Squamscott Community Commons, he cannot participate in moderating Warrant Article #7 and is turning the gavel over to Dave Emanuel, Moderator from Stratham whom he has sworn in to assist this evening.
Assistant Moderator Emanuel announced that if you want to submit an amendment, please put it in writing for the clerk.

Moderator Dave Emanuel read Warrant Article #7:
On petition of Maureen Barrows and others:
Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate situated at 56 Linden Street, Exeter, NH (old Exeter AREA Junior High Land/Building Tax Map 82, Lot 13) to Squamscott Community Commons for use as a community center for Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) and on such terms and conditions as the School Board may determine? (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

Carol Aten, Exeter presented a Power Point presentation on the Squamscott Community Commons project.
Don Briselden, Exeter a board member of SCC explained the Traffic Flow Study they had been done since the committee was aware that the abutters would have concerns with the traffic flow.
Brought forward the following amendment to their article:

"Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate situated at 56 Linden Street, Exeter, NH (old Exeter AREA Junior High Land/Building Tax Map 82, Lot 13) to Squamscott Community Commons for use as a community center at a sum to be determined by the School Board upon receipt of a new appraisal of the land & buildings including demolition costs to be conveyed by an appraiser chosen by the School Board and on such terms and conditions as the School Board may determine?" **Seconded by Langdon Plumer.**

Brian Griset, Exeter spoke about the price and the appraisal.
Board Member Sally Oxnard spoke to the article. This building can now have the chance for a new life, as a community building that will benefit the residents of all ages from the SAU 16 towns and the other towns around. Our priority next year is moving the new high school so we will use the Annex to house existing and additional school entities not moving to new high school. Per Walter Pierce's previous explanation, we will see a minimal tax impact even if we could sell the building elsewhere. She would recommend the support for this amendment.
Marshall Moore, Exeter spoke in favor of the amendment and that he is supporting with a yes on the amendment vote.
Bert Bourgeois, Exeter spoke in favor of the amendment.
Susan Stafford, Exeter acknowledged the school board and thanked them for their work but would like school board to address the anticipated traffic needs that will come with a facility like this as it should be a part of the SCC process since they promised to address this.
Carol Aten, Exeter responded that slides 23 and 24 addressed the traffic concerns where it was noted there will be a 4% reduction overall in traffic and significant reduction in on-street parking. Board Member Lucy Cushman explained that the language at the end that says "terms and conditions" does not preclude what the Exeter Planning Board will do with this proposal before the SCC would come to the board.
Moderator Emanuel explained since there were no other comments, he would call for a vote on the amendment to WA #7. Vote: amendment carries.
Anne Matthews, Exeter spoke to concerns about traffic and feels school is a great neighbor and SCC will see a 24/7 use of the space.
Carol Aten, Exeter reiterated the traffic study noting as the SCC goes forward they will look at not only the traffic impact at the peak hours, but the total size of the organizations looking to go into SCC will be much smaller than the overall high school was.
Anne Matthews, Exeter expressed concerne about hours of Sad Café since they currently operate on weekend nights and that may affect the immediate abutters, which is a concern and if the town does pass this vote, who will pay for upkeep of building while money is being raised.
Carol Aten, Exeter stated the Sad Café will create an area that is very buffeted for sound.
Board Member Cushman explained that the ERCSD board will use the Annex next year and will, therefore, pay for the maintenance and upkeep of the annex for that year.
Nora Arico, Exeter asked if the board has seen any corporations that would be interested in a building the size of the Annex? She's very concerned about the value we are getting for that property being too low as she does not want to move out of a community that she cannot live in due to taxes.
Board Member Cushman stated that any corporation or realtor could have responded to our proposals, as it was not limited to residential developers.
Frank Ferraro, Exeter recommended that should this article pass as amended at election, that the board get the appraisal of the land and the buildings and demolition of the buildings – all separately. What does "on such terms and conditions" mean in a P&S since once the deed is transferred, the liability ends. How long will the open P&S be allowing SCC to raise the funds? Board Member Lovejoy explained we will be using the building until June 2007 and cannot state the terms exactly, they have not been negotiated, but if SCC cannot demonstrate an ability to go forward, then we will end the P&S with SCC.

Board Member Cushman explained that the board could choose to have a reverter clause in the P&S, and we have our attorney here tonight and also a moderator who could assist with that.
Elysee Gallo Seeley, Brentwood has heard about a possible retail space also going into the SCC project. She expressed her concerns, disapproval and offered this amendment: **Shall Warrant Article #7 be tabled until such time as the formal terms and conditions of sale be made available through public hearing to the District? Second by Eric Trump, Brentwood.**
Carol Aten, Exeter responded on what they are doing to raise the funds; agency leases are being drawn up right now which cannot be signed until we have the property; does not know where the concept of retail spaces came from as that is not going to occur.
Board Member Casey added that the appraisal Mrs. Seeley referred to is for the entire property, not just the Annex and the best and highest possible use of the property is as a school and the minute it is not used as a school, the property value plummets.
Nora Arico, Exeter noted you could get zero for the building with the way the article is written, but feels we also need to be optimistic.
Joan Henson, Exeter spoke in favor of the original article. Getting huge huge value for our money.
Lang Plumer, Exeter spoke to being on planning board noting we are the legislative body of the town and will make the decisions on SCC and the fire, police and public works will be involved in whole process to make sure SCC meets the requirements of the town along with a traffic study.
With no further discussion or comments, Moderator Emanuel called for a vote:
Jay Childs, Exeter will vote for the projects on the merits of the project and hold the school boards' feet to the fire; do not let the value of the property overshadow the use of the property.
Alan Bailey, Exeter asked can we be sure that by the time we get done with the appraisals, etc. that we do not have to pay the SCC? If we do not sell the Annex, what is the liability of the property until you sell it?
Board Member Lovejoy responded that we will use the Annex until June of next year and then we will mothball it until it is sold; we will have to keep insurance and utility costs on it till it is sold.
Motion by Kim Casey with second by Lang Plumer and unanimous vote to continue to next warrant article.

Moderator Tucker read Warrant Article #8:
On petition of Elizabeth Stevens and others: To see whether the Exeter Region Cooperative School District will vote to direct the Cooperative School Board to transfer ownership of a certain 26.36 acre parcel of land that is part of the Exeter River Watershed (Exeter Tax Map 111, Lot 3, Kensington Tax Map 17, Lots 19 and 31) to the Town of Kensington at no cost to the Town, to be managed by the Kensington Conservation Commission for conservation and protected from development with a conservation easement held by a qualified Land Trust. (The School Board does not recommend adoption of this article.)

John Skewes, Kensington from Kensington Conservation Commission spoke to where the land is and why they are trying to acquire it.
Karen Plumer, Exeter spoke against the article.
John Skewes, Kensington rebutted that the money the Coop spent for the land is gone, but the land is still there and it can help the Exeter drinking water.
Arthur Baillargeon, Exeter hoped we hold on to this land and do not give away. Asked if any site work was done on this land?
SAU 16 Business Manager Walter Piece responded by saying that planning was done on this land, but no site work.
Arthur Baillargeon stated that we have committees in town that will take care of the water investment for the town.
Donna Carter, Kensington gave history on article, noting the Kensington land is now valued at $50,000 and would like school board to reconsider and recommend this article.
Board Member Lovejoy explained that there is a board meeting after this deliberative session for the board to consider their recommendations of all these articles and she is welcome to attend, but board

support for or against this article will not occur in the Deliberative Session.
John Skewes asked board of their objections?
Board Member Lovejoy explained that we still owe $25,000 in timber rights to previous owner; Kensington is only town in SAU 16 that has not passed bonds to purchase conservation land and feeling is that as a school district, it is not fiscally responsible to give the property away.

John Skewes stated the fact that Kensington does not raise money for bonds is not the board's concern because we have, through private donations, conserved probably more land than other towns.
Cindy Goddard, Kensington - made amendment: ***On petition of Elizabeth Stevens and others: To see whether the Exeter Region Cooperative School District will vote to direct the Cooperative School Board to transfer ownership of a certain 26.36 acre parcel of land that is part of the Exeter River Watershed (Exeter Tax Map 111, Lot 3, Kensington Tax Map 17, Lots 19 and 31) to the Town of Kensington, to be managed by the Kensington Conservation Commission for conservation and protected from development with a conservation easement held by a qualified Land Trust. The Kensington Conservation Commission agrees to pay $25,000 for the timber rights plus the transaction costs.*** **Seconded by Rich Powers, Kensington.**
Luke Pickett, Stratham asked if appraisal for the Kensington land in question is for $50,000?
Board acknowledged yes.
Since there is no further comments or discussion, Moderator Tucker called vote on amendment. Vote: Ayes have it. Amendment passed.
John Skewes spoke that it is the downstream communities that would be affected by this – Exeter and Stratham.
Board Member Cushman noted that when the board paid that money, the land was worth that amount of money to the board as we needed the land for five playing fields on that property. We have not done any marketing on this property, but very recently someone came forward saying he would pay $150,000 for it and we have not had a chance to look into that.
Alan Bailey, Exeter questioned the appropriateness of this particular article?
Moderator Tucker replied that the warrant article must be relevant and germane to what is printed.

Alan Bailey offered this amendment with a second: On petition of Elizabeth Stevens and others:
To see whether the Exeter Region Cooperative School District will vote to direct the Cooperative School Board to transfer ownership of a certain 26.36 acre parcel of land that is part of the Exeter River Watershed (Exeter Tax Map 111, Lot 3, Kensington Tax Map 17, Lots 19 and 31) to the Town of Kensington. The Kensington Conservation Commission agrees to pay $25,000 for the timber rights plus the transaction costs.
Vote: Nays had it

Langdon Plumer, Exeter motioned to adjourn.
Moderator Tucker adjourned the meeting at 12:22 AM.

Respectively Submitted,

Susan E.H. Bendroth, ERCSD Clerk
February 9, 2006

MINUTES OF THE EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SECOND SESSION OF THE 2006 ANNUAL MEETING
VOTING SESSION – MARCH 14, 2006

The polls were open at the polling places at the hours designated below to choose the following School District Officers: School District Member (Exeter), School District Member (Newfields), School District member (Stratham), School District Moderator and vote, by ballot on the articles listed as 1 through 8.

Voters in Town of:	Polling Place:	Polling Hours:
Brentwood	Brentwood Fire Hall	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
East Kingston	East Kingston Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Exeter	Exeter Town Hall	7:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Kensington	Kensington Town Hall	8:00 AM to 7:30 PM
Newfields	Newfields Town Hall	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Stratham	Stratham Municipal Center	8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Results of the election of Exeter Region Cooperative School District Officers:

Exeter Board Member, term ending at 2009 election:

Townley Chisholm	**2,664**
Roy Morrisette	2,548

Newfields Board Member, term ending 2009 election:

Raymond Trueman	**3,950**

Stratham Board Member, term ending 2009 election:

Patricia "Patty" Lovejoy	**2,546**
Luke Pickett	2.424

School District Moderator, term ending 2007 election:

Charles F. Tucker	**4,575**

Article #1: Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $43,565,480? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be $43,248,367, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (The School Board recommends $43,565,480 as set forth on said budget.)

YES **3,123** NO 1,946

Article #2: Shall the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Education Association covering the four year period from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2010 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits totaling:

Year	Estimated Increase
2006-08	$ 995,183
2007-09	$1,017,791
2008-10	$1,079,961
2009-11	$1,092,049

and further raise and appropriate the sum of $995,183 for the 2006-07 school year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year? (The School Board recommends this appropriation).

YES **3,410** NO 2,161

Article #3: Shall the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Cooperative Paraprofessional Association covering the three year period from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2009 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits totaling:

Year	Estimated Increase
2006-08	$ 159,277
2007-09	$ 70,183
2008-10	$ 71,058

and further raise and appropriate the sum of $159,277 for the 2006-07 school year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year? (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

YES **3,392** NO 2,156

Article #4: Shall the District, if Article 2 and/or 3 are defeated, authorize the School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 2 and/or 3 cost items only? (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

YES **3,586** NO 1,783

Article #5: Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2006 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to $475,000 for improvement to the stadium, athletic fields, and other ancillary facilities at the New Exeter High School? (This amount is interest earned on bond proceeds.) (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

YES **3,279** NO 2,303

Article #6: Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate located on 56 Linden Street (Tax Map 82, Lot 13) currently known as the High School Annex, formerly know as the Exeter Area Junior High School, land and buildings, on such terms (including sales price) as the School Board

shall determine are in the best interest of the District? (This authorization is in addition to Article 7 and would authorize the School Board to convey this real estate whether or not Article 7 is adopted.) (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

YES **3,633** NO 1,949

Article #7: On petition of Maureen Barrows and others:
Shall the District authorize the School Board to convey the real estate situated at 56 Linden Street, Exeter, NH (old Exeter AREA Junior High Land/Building Tax Map 82, Lot 13) to Squamscott Community Commons for use as a community center at a sum to be determined by the School Board upon receipt of a new appraisal of the land & buildings including demolition costs to be conveyed by an appraiser chosen by the School Board and on such terms and conditions as the School Board may determine? (The School Board recommends adoption of this article.)

YES **3,732** NO 1,974

Article #8: On petition of Elizabeth Stevens and others:
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YES 2,402 NO **3,048**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E.H. Bendroth, ERCSD Clerk
March 14, 2006

SAU# 16 BUDGET					
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008					
ACCT#	ITEM DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ADOPTED 12/18/06
		FY 2005-06	FY 2005-06	FY 2006-07	FY 2007-08
CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTATION					
11-2320-110	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	355,171.00	363,269.88	381,797.00	397,780.00
11-2320-111	TREASURER & BRD MINUTES	1,500.00	1,132.47	1,500.00	1,500.00
11-2320-113	SPECIAL ED ADMIN SALARIES	85,000.00	85,000.00	89,250.00	94,280.00
11-2320-114	SUPPLEMENTAL SALARIES	1,000.00	1,834.90	1,000.00	1,000.00
11-2320-115	SECRETARIES SALARIES	149,413.00	150,239.00	157,760.00	167,390.00
11-2320-117	HUMAN RESOURCES (.05)	49,938.00	49,700.00	52,185.00	54,540.00
11-2320-211	HEALTH INSURANCE	131,244.00	113,615.76	139,330.00	138,995.00
11-2320-212	DENTAL INSURANCE	6,922.00	6,922.68	7,330.00	7,330.00
11-2320-213	LIFE INSURANCE	3,400.00	3,300.00	3,410.00	3,635.00
11-2320-214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	4,267.00	5,561.66	4,920.00	5,850.00
11-2320-231	LONGEVITY	1,136.00	1,381.97	1,224.00	1,860.00
11-2320-232	RETIREMENT (6.81%)	37,850.00	38,042.40	46,600.00	62,700.00
11-2320-220	FICA (7.65%)	42,700.00	42,983.56	52,450.00	54,960.00
11-2320-250	WORKERS COMPENSATION	3,200.00	1,801.71	3,200.00	3,200.00
11-2320-260	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	384.00	414.74	480.00	480.00
11-2320-290	CONFERENCES	5,000.00	3,829.57	6,000.00	6,000.00
11-2320-270	COURSE REIMBURSEMENTS	3,300.00	0.00	3,300.00	3,300.00
11-2320-320	STAFF TRAINING	26,000.00	12,433.93	26,000.00	26,000.00
11-2320-371	AUDIT EXPENSE	6,000.00	5,525.00	6,000.00	7,000.00
11-2320-372	LEGAL EXPENSE	7,000.00	3,230.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
11-2320-373	MENTOR TRAINING	6,500.00	5,118.67	6,500.00	6,500.00
11-2320-450	RENT	69,600.00	70,320.00	74,000.00	85,000.00
11-2320-440	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	7,500.00	2,790.20	7,500.00	7,500.00
11-2320-520	ERRORS AND OMISSIONS	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
11-2320-521	PROPERTY INSURANCE	2,750.00	2,562.00	2,900.00	3,300.00
11-2320-532	TELEPHONE	13,000.00	10,647.00	13,000.00	13,000.00
11-2320-532	POSTAGE	12,000.00	5,414.55	12,000.00	12,000.00
11-2320-580	TRAVEL	14,600.00	15,586.46	16,200.00	16,840.00
11-2320-610	SUPPLIES	13,500.00	14,213.13	13,500.00	13,500.00
11-2320-611	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTED	4,500.00	5,119.30	4,950.00	5,200.00
11-2320-733	LEASED EQUIPMENT	19,000.00	23,114.99	20,500.00	21,500.00
11-2320-734	EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-2320-810	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	10,000.00	10,774.68	11,000.00	11,600.00
11-2320-870	CONTINGENCY	2,500.00	9,626.39	2,500.00	2,500.00
		1,097,275.00	**1,065,506.60**	**1,176,686.00**	**1,244,640.00**

SAU# 16 BUDGET					
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008					
ACCT#	ITEM DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ADOPTED 12/18/06
		FY 2005-06	FY 2005-06	FY 2006-07	FY 2007-08
FISCAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION					
11-2321-110	BUSINESS MANAGER	65,520.00	70,300.00	121,870.00	135,460.00
11-2321-116	FISCAL SVS. MGR. SAL.	98,657.00	99,227.18	91,300.00	95,630.00
11-2321-115	BOOKKEEPER/CLERICAL	29,426.00	20,577.70	31,700.00	33,870.00
11-2321-130	PAYROLL/A/P SALARIES	105,306.00	106,018.16	111,120.00	120,780.00
11-2321-211	HEALTH INSURANCE	113,850.00	95,364.72	121,710.00	122,500.00
11-2321-212	DENTAL INSURANCE	2,954.00	3,479.61	4,250.00	4,250.00
11-2321-213	LIFE INSURANCE	530.00	897.60	2,325.00	2,490.00
11-2321-214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	2,346.00	1,667.76	3,470.00	3,680.00
11-2321-220	F.I.C.A.	23,450.00	22,227.48	27,610.00	29,870.00
11-2321-231	LONGEVITY	4,695.00	5,301.15	4,695.00	4,695.00
11-2321-231	NH RETIREMENT	18,700.00	17,277.88	24,570.00	31,170.00
11-2321-250	WORKERS COMPENSATION	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00
11-2321-260	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	384.00	384.00	432.00	430.00
11-2321-290	CONFERENCES	800.00	1,587.70	1,200.00	1,800.00
11-2321-330	COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICES	9,750.00	19,375.00	10,250.00	12,590.00
11-2321-440	REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	4,000.00	721.67	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-2321-580	TREASURER'S BOND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11-2321-531	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
11-2321-580	MILEAGE	3,200.00	3,450.00	8,200.00	8,780.00
11-2321-610	SUPPLIES EXPENSE	5,500.00	6,588.10	5,500.00	5,500.00
11-2321-741	EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	233.70	1,000.00	1,000.00
	FISCAL SVS TOTALS	**496,368.00**	**480,979.41**	**581,502.00**	**624,795.00**

SAU# 16 BUDGET					
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008					
ACCT#	ITEM DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ADOPTED 12/18/06
		FY 2005-06	FY 2005-06	FY 2006-07	FY 2007-08
TECHNOLOGY					
2820-110	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SALARIES	84,000.00	81,381.11	95,395.00	101,340.00
2820-321	TECHNICAL CONSULTANT	10,000.00	5,731.19	10,000.00	9,000.00
2820-329	TECHNICAL TRAINING	13,140.00	11,597.47	8,900.00	18,250.00
2320-531	TELEPHONE	1,260.00	1,466.19	2,240.00	1,700.00
2320-580	MILEAGE	8,100.00	6,603.48	10,000.00	11,000.00
2820-610	SUPPLIES	5,350.00	5,797.18	6,455.00	6,200.00
2820-611	SHIPPING	1,500.00	139.47	1,500.00	1,500.00
2820-641	BOOKS AND PERIODICALS	750.00	563.00	650.00	650.00
2820-650	SOFTWARE	38,837.00	35,689.67	38,546.00	27,545.00
2820-733	FURNITURE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2820-738	REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT	2,348.00	2,313.22	2,500.00	2,500.00
2820-739	EQUIPMENT	9,565.00	22,371.46	8,965.00	7,265.00
2900-211	HEALTH INSURANCE	22,500.00	18,285.54	22,000.00	22,000.00
2900-212	DENTAL INSURANCE	900.00	443.16	900.00	900.00
2900-213	LIFE INSURANCE	215.00	121.00	160.00	160.00
2900-214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	320.00	302.06	490.00	490.00
2900-220	FICA	6,450.00	6,325.25	7,960.00	8,140.00
2900-221	RETIREMENT	4,850.00	2,621.84	3,280.00	3,880.00
2900-260	WORKERS COMPENSATION	315.00	296.81	492.00	490.00
2900-260	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	550.00	280.19	550.00	550.00
	TECHNOLOGY TOTAL	**210,950.00**	**202,329.29**	**220,983.00**	**223,560.00**
	GRAND TOTALS	**1,804,593.00**	**1,748,815.30**	**1,979,171.00**	**2,092,995.00**

SAU #16 Budget - FY 2007-08

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11/30/2006 Town	2005 Equalized val.	Valuation Percentage	# Pupils ADM 05-06	Pupil %	Combined Percentage		FY 2007-08 Assessment	% Increase over 06-07
Brentwood	$ 226,885,678	5.28%	359.7	6.73%	6.01%	1.9%	$ 125,723	7.77%
East Kingston	132,504,387	3.08%	171.9	3.22%	3.15%	4.9%	$ 65,946	10.94%
Exeter	735,497,878	17.12%	923.8	17.29%	17.20%	0.7%	$ 360,097	6.46%
Kensington	172,315,428	4.01%	195.0	3.65%	3.83%	5.5%	$ 80,166	11.52%
Newfields	120,737,194	2.81%	157.6	2.95%	2.88%	-7.2%	$ 60,279	-1.91%
Stratham	554,954,750	12.91%	637.0	11.93%	12.42%	-0.1%	$ 259,942	5.61%
Co Op	2,354,414,439	54.79%	2,896.6	54.23%	54.51%	-0.6%	$ 1,140,842	5.11%
TOTAL	**$ 4,297,309,754**	**100.00%**	**5,341.6**	**100.00%**	**100.00%**		**$ 2,092,995**	5.75%

SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY

2005-2006

BRENTWOOD	$6,428.51
EAST KINGSTON	$3,475.82
EXETER	$20,099.28
EXETER REGION COOP	$63,808.53
KENSINGTON	$4,324.43
NEWFIELDS	$3,696.69
STRATHAM	$14,414.74
	$116,248.00

ASSOCIATE AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARIES

(Total reflects 2.5+ positions, $49,700,00 $93,191, $94,000, $5,000)

2005-2006

BRENTWOOD	$13,376.57
EAST KINGSTON	$7,232.54
EXETER	$41,822.95
EXETER REGION COOP	$132,773.97
KENSINGTON	$8,998.35
NEWFIELDS	$7,692.14
STRATHAM	$29,994.48
	$241,891.00

Approved
January 2007

SAU #16 CALENDAR
2007-2008

KEY	
[]	Teacher In-service
()	Holiday/No School
Bold	Vacation
*	Early Release
**	*See Footnote*

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER — 21 Days — T 23 — S 21

[27]	[28]	29	30	(31)
(3)	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

Aug. 27 – *Teacher In-Service*
Aug. 28 – *Teacher In-Service* & Student Orientation 6 & 9
Aug. 29 – School Opens – All students
August 31 and Sept. 3 Labor Day Weekend — No School

OCTOBER — 21 Days — 22 — 21 — 45 — 42

1	2	3	4	[5]
(8)	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

Oct. 5 – Teacher In-Service
Oct. 8 Columbus Day – No School

NOVEMBER — 18 Days — 18 — 18 — 63 — 60

			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
(12)	13	14	15	16
19	20	**21**	**22**	**23**
26	27	28	29	30

Nov. 12 Veterans' Day – No School
Nov. 21- 25— Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER — 15 Days — 15 — 15 — 78 — 75

3	4	*5**	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	**25**	**26**	**27**	**28**
31				

Dec. 5 – Early Release
Dec. 24 – Dec. 31 Holiday Recess

JANUARY — 21 Days — 21 — 21 — 99 — 96

	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
(14)	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	*30**	31	

Jan. 1 – Holiday Recess
Jan. 14 – MLK No School
Jan. 30 – Early Release

FEBRUARY — 16 Days — T 16 — S 16 — 115 — 112

				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	**26**	**27**	**28**	**29**

Feb. 25-29 – Winter Vacation

MARCH — 20 Days — 21 — 20 — 136 — 132

3	4	5	6	7
10	[11]	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

Mar. 11 – Teacher In-Service Day

APRIL — 19 Days — 19 — 19 — 155 — 151

	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	**29**	**30**		

April 28 – May 4 – Spring Vacation

MAY — 19 Days — 19 — 19 — 174 — 170

			1	**2**
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	*14**	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
(26)	27	28	29	30

May 14 – Early Release
May 26 – Memorial Day – No School

JUNE — 10 Days — 11 — 10 — 185 — 180

2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13*
16	17	18	19	20
23				

June 13* – Graduation
June 18** – Last day for Students
June 16 – Teacher in-Service (185 day contract)

June 16, 17 & 18 are snow make-up days, if needed

180 Student Days

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